SUMMARY *per R.M.S. Geelong.*

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BIRTHS.

On the 16th November, at the Star of Peace Hotel, corner of King and Kent streets, the wife of Mr. THOMAS CROFT, of a son, late of Rushcutter's Bay.

On the 19th instant, at her residence, Brunstock Villa, South Head, the wife of Captain THOMAS ROBINSON, of a son.

On the 13th instant, at her residence, No. 3, Bligh-street, Mrs. L. SWAN, of a daughter.

On the 14th instant, at her residence, Woodside, Parramatta, the wife of CHARLES HASS, Esq., of a daughter, stillborn.

On the 16th instant, at her residence, Devonshire-street, Strawberry Hills, the wife of Mr. HENRY HART, junior, of a son.

On the 16th instant, at Memel Cottage, Balmain, Mrs. W. K. CHAPMAN, of a son.

On the 18th instant, at her residence, 796, George-street South, Mrs. R. BUCK, of a daughter.

On the 20th instant, at her residence, 389, Bourke-street, the wife of Mr. W. KIPPAX, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

On the 1st instant, by special license, at St. John's College, by the Very Rev. Dr. Forrest, rector, MICHAEL, the eldest son of THOMAS MAGNER, bootmaker, of Crown-street, Woolloomooloo Sydney, grandson of Michael Magner, bootmaker, and also of David Brown, saddler and harness maker, Ireland, County Cork, Mallow, to Miss G. O'CONNOR, second daughter of Mr. Mortimer and Margaret O'Connor, farmer, of Kilmacleenon, County Cork, Ireland.

On the 12th instant, at Pullaming, Liverpool Plains, by the Rev. J. J. Garvey, WILLIAM CHARLES BROWNE, B.A., sixth son of John Browne, Esq., J.P., Singleton, to JESSIE CAMPBELL, eldest daughter of the late Captain Malcolm Macgregor, H.E.I.C.S., Campbelltown, Scotland.

On the 13th instant, at Williamstown, Victoria, by special license, by the Rev. John Clark, H. R. REID, Esq., merchant, Melbourne, third son of the Rev. John Reid, of the Mariners' Church, Sydney, to ELIZABETH ROWLANDS, eldest daughter of Captain JAMES RIDLEY, of Williamstown.

On the 15th instant, at St. John's, Bishopthorpe, by the Rev. E. M. Sallnière, EDWIN LITCHFIELD, Esq., of H. M. Commissariat, to ANN COUTELL, eldest daughter of J. R. YOUNG, Esq., Hereford House, Glebe.

On the 19th instant, at St. Mark's Church, Darling Point, by the Lord Bishop of Sydney, assisted by the Rev. Thomas Hayden, ERNEST DE SATGE ST. JEAN, eldest son of the Vicomte de Satge St. Jean, Baron de Thoren, &c., to MARY ANN LOCKE, eldest daughter of the late EDWIN TOOTH, Esq., of Sydney, New South Wales.

On the 19th instant, by special license, at 105, Prince-street, by the Rev. John Reid, of the Mariners' Church, JAMES HILLYER, native of Buckinghamshire, England, to SARAH COOK, widow, daughter of the late John Newman, Wiltshire, England.

On the 8th instant, at Narramene, near Dubbo, from the effects of a wound received while resisting an attack made by two armed bushrangers on her Majesty's mail, JOHN GRANVILLE GRENFELL, Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Port Bourke District, aged 36, eldest son of Admiral John Pascoe Grenfell, of Liverpool, England.

On the 12th instant, at Mount Gellibrand Station, Victoria, Mrs. REID, aged 66, mother of T. S. Reid, Esq., Commander, R.N. Roahine, and of R. N. Treweek, Woollahra.

On the 17th instant, at the residence of his parents, Cockatoo Island, LOUISA, infant daughter of JOHN F. LANE, aged 10 days.

On the 18th instant, at the residence of his parents, Harris-street, Pyrmont, ALEXANDER, the beloved son of Mr. HENRY BRATTIE, aged 16 months, deeply regretted.

On the 20th instant, at her residence, 503, Crown-street, Sydney, JANE, the beloved wife of Mr. JOHN HARRISON, aged 58 years.

On the 20th instant, at Bay-street, Glebe, MARY JANE, the beloved daughter of GAVIN and AGNES HOUSTON, aged 18 years. New Zealand papers please copy.

SHIP ADVERTISEMENTS.

OVERLAND ROUTE TO ENGLAND.—The PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
GEELONG,
1584 tons, 250-horse power,
N. J. Skottowe, commander,
will be dispatched for GALLE, with her Majesty's mails, passengers, specie, and cargo, on MONDAY, the 24th December, 1866, at 2 p.m., touching at MELBOURNE and KING GEORGE'S SOUND.
Cargo will be received until 5 p.m., on the 21st, and specie and parcels until noon of the 22nd.
For particulars regarding freight and passage, with information on all subjects connected with the PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Lines, apply to
HENRY MOORE, Agent.
Moore's Wharf, Sydney, 24th November.

STEAM TO ENGLAND VIA PANAMA.—The Panama, New Zealand, and Australian Royal Mail Steamship
MATAURA,
1767 tons, 450 horse-power,
G. R. Bird, R.N.R., commander,
For PANAMA via WELLINGTON, N. Z.,
TUESDAY, January 1st, 1867.
Passengers, gold, specie, and cargo can be forwarded by this route to all parts of South America, the United States, and Canada; also via France to all the continental cities of Europe, and via Southampton, to any part of Great Britain.
GOLD AND SPECIE.
Freight delivered at the Bank of England,
TWENTY SHILLINGS PER CENT.
Every information relative to freight and passage may be obtained at the Company's Offices, Grafton Wharf.
H. B. BENSON, General Manager.

QUEENSLAND STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMSHIPS.
For BRISBANE and IPSWICH, MARYBOROUGH, GLADSTONE, and ROCKHAMPTON.—QUEENSLAND, FRIDAY, 28th instant, at 5 p.m.
For ROCKHAMPTON DIRECT.—LADY BOWEN, on or about 27th instant.
A. SIMPSON, pro Manager.
Q. S. N. Co.'s Offices, Sussex-street.

HUNTER RIVER NEW STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMERS until the 29th December inclusive:—
From SYDNEY to NEWCASTLE and MORPETH.
MORPETH, MONDAYS and THURSDAYS, at 11 p.m.
CITY OF NEWCASTLE, WEDNESDAYS and SATURDAYS, at 11 p.m.
Goods received for CLARENCE TOWN on WEDNESDAYS; MILLER'S FOREST, on THURSDAYS; PATERSON Township, on MONDAYS.
Freight on goods for Miller's Forest and the Paterson must be paid in Sydney.
Goods received DAILY for NEWCASTLE, RAYMOND TERRACE, MORPETH, &c., and FORWARDED STRICTLY ACCORDING TO INSTRUCTIONS.
From MORPETH to SYDNEY (via NEWCASTLE).
CITY OF NEWCASTLE, TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS, at 6.30 a.m.
MORPETH, WEDNESDAYS and SATURDAYS, at 6.30 a.m.
F. J. THOMAS, Manager.
Offices—foot of Market-street.

THE AUSTRALASIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMSHIPS
TO MELBOURNE.—Rangatira, this afternoon, Saturday, at 4.30; and Wonga Wonga, Saturday, the 29th instant, at 4.30 p.m.
TO HUNTER RIVER.—Yarra Yarra, this morning, Saturday, at 7; Collaroy, Monday morning, at 7; and Coomambara, Tuesday night, at 11.
TO CLARENCE TOWN.—Steamer, Wednesday morning, at 7.
TO PATERSON RIVER.—Goods received on Saturday, and forwarded per Collaroy Monday morning.
TO BRISBANE.—City of Brisbane, this afternoon, Saturday, at 5.
TO MARYBOROUGH.—Tinonee, Wednesday, 2nd January, 1867, at 5 p.m.
TO ROCKHAMPTON.—Saxonia, Thursday afternoon, at 5.
TO CLEVELAND BAY, via Gladstone and Port Denison.—Boomerang, Wednesday, 9th January, 1867, at 5 p.m.
FROM BRISBANE TO ROCKHAMPTON, calling at Maryborough and Gladstone.—Clarence, Thursday, 27th instant.
Cargo is now being received for transmission to any of the above ports.
No cargo received for the steamers going to Melbourne or Queensland after 3 p.m. on their day of sailing.
FREDERICK H. TROUTON, Manager.
A. S. N. Co.'s Wharf, Sussex-street.

STEAM to MANNING RIVER.—FIRE KING, on THURSDAY. WILLIAM DALTON, Agent, King-st.

STEAM to the RICHMOND RIVER.
The C. and R. R. S. N. Company's steamship BALLINA, for CORAKI, RICHMOND RIVER, on MONDAY AFTERNOON, at 5 o'clock.
Cargo will be delivered per steam dragher ULMARRA, on the North Arm up to Lismore, and on the South Arm as far as navigable, without further charge.
W. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

WATSON'S BAY STEAMER on SUNDAY.—The VESTA leaves
Circular Quay, 10.30, 2.30; Watson's Bay, 12, 5.30.
Return tickets, 1s.

WATSON'S BAY STEAMER on SUNDAY.—The HERALD leaves
Woolloomooloo, 10.30, 2.45; Watson's Bay, 12, 5.30.
Return tickets, 1s.

SHIP ADVERTISEMENTS.

THIRTY MILES FOR EIGHTEENPENCE.
PARRAMATTA AND RIVER STEAMERS.
From Patent Slip Wharf, Erskine-street.
Reduction of FARES between Sydney and Hunter's Hill, Cabin, 9d.; return, 1s. Steerage, 6d.; return, 9d.
The swift and commodious steamers EMU, PELICAN, and BLACK SWAN, THIS DAY.
To COCKATOO, HUNTER'S HILL, GLADESVILLE, and RYDE, 6, 9, and 11 a.m.; 1, 3.15, 5, 5.45, and 11 p.m.
To PARRAMATTA, 6, 9, and 11 a.m.; 1 and 5 p.m.
Fares at less than half the railway rates.
From PARRAMATTA, 6.50, 8, and 11 a.m.; 1 and 3 p.m.
From RYDE, 7.40, 8.40, 11.40, 1.40, 3.40, 4.25, and 7.
From GLADESVILLE, 8, 9, 12, 2, 4, 4.45, and 7.15
From HUNTER'S HILL, at a quarter-past these hours
TO-MORROW, SUNDAY.
To Cockatoo and HUNTER'S HILL, 9, 9.30, 2.30, and 6
To GLADESVILLE and RYDE, 9, 2.30, and 6
To PARRAMATTA, 9, 2.30, and 6.
From PARRAMATTA, 7 a.m., 4 and 5 p.m.
From RYDE, 7.40, 4.40, and 5.40
From GLADESVILLE, 8, 5, and 6
From HUNTER'S HILL, 8.15, 10, 5.15, and 6.15
Refreshments on board.

ILLAWARRA S. N. COMPANY'S STEAMERS TO
WOLLONGONG.—Kembla, TO-NIGHT, at 11; and Kiama, on MONDAY, at 11 p.m.
KIAMA.—Kembla, TO-NIGHT, at 11; and Kiama, on MONDAY, at 11 p.m.
SHOALHAVEN.—Kembla, TO-NIGHT, at 11.
MERIMBULA.—Kiama, WEDNESDAY, 10 a.m.
ULLADULLA.—Kembla, THURSDAY, at noon.
CLYDE RIVER.—Kembla, THURSDAY, at noon.
EDEN.—Illalong, TUESDAY, 1st January.
MORUYA.—Kiama, FRIDAY, 4th January.

STEAM TO WOLLONGONG, KIAMA, AND SHOALHAVEN.—CHRISTMAS EXCURSION.
The KEMBLA steamer will leave Sydney on SATURDAY NIGHT, at 11 o'clock, for the above places, at SINGLE FARES for RETURN TICKETS, available for any of the company's steamers up to 2nd January.
Phœnix Wharf, 18th December.

CHRISTMAS STEAM EXCURSIONS.—Return Tickets at single fares will be issued from the various steamers of the ILLAWARRA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, available from THURSDAY, the 20th instant, to WEDNESDAY, 2nd January, between SYDNEY, WOLLONGONG, KIAMA, SHOALHAVEN, ULLADULLA, MORUYA, CLYDE RIVER, and TWOFOLD BAY, or between any intermediate ports.
Sydney, 12th December, 1866.
For particulars as to trips information will be given at the Company's Offices, and at the various agencies.

EXCURSION TICKETS, ONE SHILLING.
FROM KING-STREET WHARF.
The PARRAMATTA RIVER STEAM COMPANY'S new, swift, and commodious Saloon Steamer ADELAIDE, and the Steamer YSABEL, THIS DAY.
For COCKATOO, HUNTER'S HILL, TARBAN CREEK—7*, 9, 10*, 11.30, 1*, 2.30, 4.10*, 5, 6*, and 11.
For GLADESVILLE and RYDE—7*, 9, 10*, 11.30, 1*, 2.30, 5, 6*, and 11.
For PENNANT HILLS—11.30 a.m., and 5 p.m.
Leaves RYDE WHARF—
For SYDNEY—7.40*, 8.30, 10*, 11.30, 1.20*, 2.30, 3.40*, 6.15, 7.15*. GLADESVILLE, 15 minutes, and HUNTER'S HILL 30 minutes past these times, and at 5 p.m.
* Ysabel's trips.
TO-MORROW, SUNDAY, the ADELAIDE leaves KING-STREET,
For COCKATOO, HUNTER'S HILL, TARBAN CREEK, GLADESVILLE, and RYDE, at 9 a.m., 2.30 p.m., and 6 p.m.
Leaves the undermentioned Wharves for SYDNEY—

Ryde.	Gladesville.	Hunter's Hill.	Cockatoo.
7.40 a.m.	8 a.m.	8.15 a.m.	8.20 a.m.
1.20 p.m.	1.35 p.m.	1.45 p.m.	1.50 p.m.
5	5.15	5.30	5.35
7.15*	7.30*	7.45*	8*

From PARRAMATTA, 7 a.m., 4 and 5 p.m.
Fares: CABIN, ONE SHILLING; return ditto 1s 6d; steerage, 6d; return, 1s.—children, return 6d., being LOWER THAN THE GOVERNMENT EXCURSION TICKETS, and little more than half the present steamboat fares.

PARRAMATTA RIVER STEAM COMPANY.—To Fruit-growers and Residents on the Parramatta River, and Parramatta.—This Company having entered into arrangements for leasing a portion of the Commercial Wharf, foot of King-street, from 1st proximo, it is intended at once to take steps which will prevent the delay and inconvenience in landing passengers and freight, arising from the limited extent of the present wharf accommodation. The entrance to the new wharf and waiting rooms will be through the last gateway on the south-west corner of King-street, immediately adjoining the present office. Draymen will then be able to take the freight from the steamer's side.

ON SUNDAY, steam to the burnt ship JOHN DUTHIE, in Mosman's Bay.—The steamer BROTHERS leaves Circular Quay 10.20, 2.20; returning at 12 and 5. Return tickets, 1s.

DRY DOCK FERRY.—Last trip To night 11.15; on Sundays, hours from Waterview, half-hours Sydney.

MANLY BEACH STEAMERS, THIS DAY, leave
Queen's Wharf, 10.15, 2.30, 4.30
Woolloomooloo, 10.30, 2.45
Manly, 8.15, 12, 3.30, 5.30.
SUNDAYS.
Queen's Wharf, 10.15, 2.30, 2.45
Woolloomooloo, 10.30, 2.45, 3
Manly, 12, 5.30.
Fares, 1s. each way; children 6d.
S. H. WILSON.

AGENORIA, for SHELLHARBOUR, THIS DAY, at noon, from Caledonian Wharf, King-street.

ONLY VESSEL for BRISBANE.—☞ The smart ketch LORD OF THE ISLES, M'Kee, master, having bulk of cargo engaged, will be quickly dispatched. Apply J. THORNE, 81, Pitt-street.

ONLY VESSEL FOR ALBERT RIVER, GULF OF CARPENTARIA, via PORT DENISON and CLEVELAND BAY.—☞ The clipper barque ELLESMERE, J. Lake, commander (daily expected), will on arrival have immediate dispatch.
For freight or passage apply to LAIDLEY, IRELAND, and CO., Lloyd's-chambers.

ONLY VESSEL for ROCKHAMPTON and PORT MACKAY.—☞ The clipper schooner MARIPOSA, P. J. Hurley, commander, having a large portion of her cargo engaged, will have immediate dispatch.
For freight or passage apply on board, at the Market Wharf; or to LAIDLEY, IRELAND, and CO., Lloyd's-chambers.

FOR HOBART TOWN.—The A1 clipper brig WILD WAVE, J. Fisher, master, having three-fourths of her cargo engaged, will have quick dispatch.
For freight or passage apply on board, Market Wharf, or T. G. SAWKINS, Exchange.

ONLY VESSEL for ADELAIDE.—☞ The clipper schooner SOPHIE, J. Minners, master, will sail on THURSDAY next. Has room for a few tons if arranged at once.
Apply to Captain, on board, at Campbell's Wharf, Circular Quay; or J. THORNE, 81, Pitt-street.

FOR GREY RIVER WHARF direct.—The fine clipper schooner PRINCESS ALEXANDRA, J. Carmichael, master, having the greater part of her cargo engaged, will have immediate dispatch.
For freight or passage apply to JOHN BLACK and CO., 96, New Pitt-street.

FOR AUCKLAND.—☞ The favourite regular trader KATE, P. Carter, commander, (shortly expected,) will, on arrival, be dispatched with her usual punctuality.
For freight or passage apply to LAIDLEY, IRELAND, and CO., Lloyd's-chambers.

FIRST VESSEL FOR AUCKLAND.—The favourite clipper brig RITA, G. H. Trayte, commander, loading at Grafton Wharf, having the greater part of her cargo engaged, will have her usual quick dispatch.
For freight or passage apply to JOHN BLACK and CO., 96, New Pitt-street.

ONLY VESSEL for SAN FRANCISCO (carrying steerage passengers).—☞ The fine clipper barque JOHN EYSTON, Wynne, master, will be dispatched on or about 27th instant. Has splendid accommodation in cabin and steerage. Early application is necessary to secure berths, for which apply to
LAIDLEY, IRELAND, and CO., Lloyd's-chambers.

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FOR WANGANUI Direct.—The fast-sailing brig LADY DENISON will be dispatched in a few days.
For freight or passage, apply to CHRISTOPHER NEWTON, BROTHER, and CO., George-street.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.—The clipper brig KEYING, 440 tons register, S. S. Billings, master, will be dispatched for the above port early next week.
For freight or passage apply to R. TOWNS and CO.

FOR NEW YORK direct (from Melbourne).—The 13 years A1 Clyde-built barque
ISABELLA HERCUS,
568 tons register, Captain Brenner, will be dispatched as above, with cargo and passengers, about
MONDAY, 7th January next.
Accommodation of a superior description for a limited number of passengers.
Saloon (in the poop) £45
Second cabin ('tween decks) 20
For further particulars apply to DODD and THOMSON, 36, Queen-street, Melbourne; or LAIDLEY, IRELAND, and CO., Sydney.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL IN SIXTY DAYS.—BLACK BALL and EAGLE LINE OF PACKETS.
NOTICE to intending Passengers for England.—The celebrated steamship
GREAT BRITAIN,
Lieutenant John Gray, R.N.R.,
will be dispatched from Melbourne for LIVERPOOL, on or about 20th JANUARY, 1867.
Saloon, as per agreement.
Second Cabin, £35.
Intermediate, £18 and £20.
Steerage, £16
For passage apply to
WILLIS, MERRY, and LLOYD, 100, New Pitt-street; or to
DANIEL KING, and CO., 10, O'Connell-street.

STEAM TO ENGLAND
White Star Line of Packets.
For LONDON.
The splendid auxiliary steamship
ROYAL STANDARD,
2033 tons, A1 for 22 years,
E. Whinery, commander,
will be dispatched from Hob-on's Bay for the above port punctually
on THURSDAY, 10th January, 1867.
Her accommodations for all classes are unsurpassed.
An experienced surgeon accompanies the ship.
Passage money, £16 and upwards.
For plans of cabins, rates of passage, and other information apply to LORIMER, MARWOOD, and ROME, 30, Hunter-street, Sydney; or 48, William-street, Melbourne.

SYDNEY TO LONDON.—The undermentioned first-class passenger ships will be dispatched in the following order:—

	Tons.	Commander.	To sail.
LA HOGUE.....	1331	Goddard..	10th Jan., 1867.
JAMES LISTER.	950	Wagstaff.	January.
PARRAMATTA..	1559	Williams..	10th February.
JASON	878	Birnie ..	1st March.
SOBRAON	2300	Kyle	1st April.

For plans of cabins and rates of passage, apply to GILCHRIST, WATT, and CO., Agents.

THE UNDERMENTIONED first-class Passenger Ships are appointed to sail as under:—
LA HOGUE, Goddard, 10th January, 1867.
PARRAMATTA, Williams, 10th February, 1867.
Apply to GILCHRIST, WATT, and CO.

ABERDEEN CLIPPER LINE.—For LONDON.—NOTICE TO PASSENGERS.—The following first-class vessels making an average passage of eighty days will be dispatched on or about the following dates:—

	Tons.	Commander.	
COLONIAL EMPIRE ..	1100	Ross	....January
JOHN DUTHIE.....	1031	Phillips	..February
DAMASCUS	960	Bowden	..March
CHRISTIANA THOMPSON	1100	Murray	..April

The dietary arrangements are superior, and each vessel carries an experienced surgeon.
Apply to MONTEFIORE, JOSEPH, and CO., O'Connell-street.

ABERDEEN CLIPPER LINE.—For LONDON direct.—The A1 clipper ship COLONIAL EMPIRE, 1305 tons register, James Ross, commander, having the whole of her dead weight, and a large portion of her wool engaged, will have quick dispatch. Has superior and roomy saloon accommodation, and deck house for intermediate passengers.
Carries an experienced surgeon.
Apply on board, at Circular Quay; or to MONTEFIORE, JOSEPH, and CO.

LAHORE FOR LONDON,
Will be dispatched hence on 10th January, offering an excellent opportunity for intending passengers.
Wool received at Flood's Blackwall stores.
Apply on board, to Captain GODDARD; or to GILCHRIST, WATT, and CO., agents.

FOR WOOL and PASSENGERS.—To sail 15th January, for LONDON.—The regular trader NOURMAHAL, 13 years A1 at Lloyds, John Fowler, commander.
Carries an experienced surgeon.
All dead weight and large portion of cargo are engaged.
Wool received at Talbot's Store.
For passage or freight apply to Captain FOWLER, YOUNG, LARK, and BENNETT; WILLIS, MERRY, and LLOYD.

FOR LONDON.—SAILING EARLY IN JANUARY.—The A1 ship JAMES LISTER will have prompt dispatch. Wool received at Flood's Blackwall stores. Has still room for four saloon passengers.
Apply on board, to Captain WAGSTAFF; or to GILCHRIST, WATT, and CO.

FOR LONDON.—For Wool only.—The fine clipper ship AGNES BANFIELD, 810 tons register, 3 years old, and classed A1 at Lloyds' for 13 years, R. Bastian, commander, having all her dead weight and a large portion of her wool on board, will meet with quick dispatch.
Wool received at Talbot's Stores.
For freight or passage apply to Captain BASTIAN, at Circular Quay; or to LEARMONTH, DICKINSON, and CO., Charlotte-place.

FIRST SHIP FOR LONDON.—Only requiring a few hundred bales of Wool to complete her cargo. The new clipper ship SATTARA, A1 at Lloyd's 12 years, and classed at Liverpool for 20 years, William Thomas, commander.
This vessel has just come out of Balmain Dock, after being cleaned and coated.
Wool received at Marsden's Stores.
For terms of freight apply to the Captain on board; R. TOWNS and CO., Miller's Point; or FREDERICK EBSWORTH, Underwood street.

NOTICE TO PASSENGERS FOR ENGLAND.—The favourite passenger ship ORWELL, A1 at Lloyd's, 1260 tons, Henry Quin, commander, will be dispatched for London direct in January, 1867. For plans of cabin accommodation, and other particulars, apply to J. B. METCALFE and CO., 9, Bridge-street.

THE S.S. KANGAROO.—The owners of this steamer are prepared to receive TENDERS for the PURCHASE of the BOAT up to 20th December, 1866 (if not previously sold).
The Kangaroo carries 350 tons upon a draught of 10 feet 3 inches; was running for over nine months between Port Adelaide and Wallaroo, and never failed in making a weekly trip; averages seven miles per hour under steam; was lately on Fletcher's Slip; received a new shaft and thorough overhaul. The engines and boiler are in perfect order, and the vessel is in all respects well fitted out for sea; was built in Newcastle-on-Tyne in 1863 by Wigham, Richardson, and Co.
Various discussions between the partners have caused the boat to be offered for sale.
Neither the lowest nor any tender will be necessarily accepted.
Any further particulars to be obtained from the undersigned to whom all tenders are to be addressed.
C. LAMB, Port Adelaide.

BRIG SCOTSMAN, from South Sea Islands.—This vessel will discharge at Campbell's Wharf. Consignees are requested to pass ENTRIES at once, and pay freight to the undersigned.
H. H. BEAUCHAMP, 14, Barrack-street.
*** Captain Hamilton or the owner will not be responsible for any debts contracted without the owner's written authority.

SHIP GENERAL LEE, Captain Cruickshank, for London.—All ACCOUNTS against this ship must be rendered in duplicate by noon on WEDNESDAY, 27th instant, or they will not be recognised. WILLIS, MERRY, and LLOYD, Agents, 100, Pitt-street.

FOR SALE, the stern-wheel steamer COMMISSARY GENERAL, now lying at Newington, Parramatta River. Apply to JAMES GRAHAM, Victoria-chambers, Pitt-street, Sydney, or to BROOMFIELD and WHITAKER, Albion Wharf.

CHARTERS.—☞ Wanted, to Charter VESSELS to load coals in Newcastle for the following ports, viz:—Hongkong, Shanghai, Bombay, Singapore, Mauritius, Java, and San Francisco. Highest rates given.
LAIDLEY, IRELAND, and CO., Lloyd's-chambers.

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FOR SALE or CHARTER, the first-class brig, CROWN, 286 tons. A. Tange and Co., Jamison-st

FOR SALE, three fine SCHOONERS; two Ships' BOATS, a handy PUNT. H. MOON, 227, George-st.

FOR SALE, FREIGHT, or CHARTER, the new first-class colonial-built brigantine ZEPHYR, 250 tons burthen. Apply to JOHN CUTHBERT, Cuthbert's Wharf.

FOR SALE, a first-class pleasure BOAT, with 2 suits of sails, and gear complete, including an awning for fishing excursions. Apply to J. MARSDEN, Miller's Point.

BOATS for SALE, of all descriptions. Apply at Russell's Shipyard, Pyrmont, near the Bridge.

TWO DINGIES for SALE. Apply to GULPPY, Waterman, foot of Erskine-street.

RICHMOND BRIDGE COMPANY (Incorporated).—The Half-yearly General MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Black Horse Inn, Richmond, on WEDNESDAY, the 9th day of January next, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors for the half-year ending 31st December instant, and of transacting such other business as may properly be brought under consideration.
By order,
W. WALKER, Secretary.
December 20th, 1866.

ACCLIMATISATION SOCIETY OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Members of this Society are informed that as Monday next will be Christmas Eve the usual Monthly Meeting will not take place.
21st December, 1866.

BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—This Bank will be CLOSED on TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY next, respectively Christmas and Boxing Days, and the Board will meet for discount and other business on MONDAY, the 24th instant, at the usual hour.
SHEPHERD SMITH, General Manager.
Sydney, 22nd December, 1866.

THE AUSTRALIAN JOINT STOCK BANK.—The Board will meet for Discounts on MONDAY, the 24th.—Tuesday, the 25th, being Christmas Day.
WEDNESDAY, the 25th, is a general holiday, and the Bank will be closed on that day.
A. H. RICHARDSON, General Manager.

NOTICE.—COMMERCIAL BANKING COMPANY, Sydney.—TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY next being Christmas-day and Boxing-day, this Bank will be CLOSED.
The Board will meet for discount on MONDAY, the 24th instant.
ROBERT NAPIER, Manager.

CURRAWANG COPPER MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.—NOTICE is hereby given, that the CALL of 2s. 6d. per share on the allotted shares in this Company, made payable on the 22nd day of January, 1867, has this day been RESCINDED.
S. L. BENSUSAN, Manager.
Lyons-buildings, 14th December.

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE CITY BANK.
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—
I beg most respectfully to inform you that I am a candidate for the office of director of the Bank, for which there will be a vacancy in a few days.
Soliciting the favour of your votes and proxies,
I am, your most obedient servant,
GEORGE THORNTON.
Sydney, 20th December, 1866.

THE GREENFELL FUND.—Notice to Committee.—The Committee are requested to meet at the Civil Service Club, on MONDAY, the 24th instant, at 4 o'clock p.m., to authorise the necessary arrangements for collecting contributions.
HAROLD MACLEAN, } Hon.
P. L. CLORTE, } Secretaries.

MINMI COLLIERY.—The undersigned, Agent for the above, is prepared to DELIVER COALS at Sydney, or any of the intercolonial or foreign ports at current rates.
T. G. SAWKINS, Exchange.
☞ CHARTERS.—For China, India, California, Chili, New Zealand, and Australian ports.

SURRY HILLS WESLEYAN PENNY BANK
NOTICE TO DEPOSITORS.
The Bank will be CLOSED the first fortnight in January.
The Annual Meeting, to elect Directors for the ensuing year, will be held on THURSDAY EVENING, the 4th January, in the Botany-street Schoolroom. All persons favourable to Penny Savings Banks are specially invited to attend. The Rev. W. Curnow and other gentlemen will attend and explain the benefits of the institution. Chair to be taken at half-past 7 o'clock.

CHALMERS CHURCH DIALECTIC ASSOCIATION.—LECTURE by the President, the Rev. Dr. BEG, on MONDAY EVENING, 24th instant, at 8 precisely. Subject: "The Celtic Races." W. BURNET, Sec.

NOTICE.—The undersigned, leaving the colony, requests all ACCOUNTS against him to be sent in for payment; and all parties indebted are respectfully requested to pay the same before the 24th December.
(Signed) SAMUEL FULLER,
Window Blind Manufacturer, 286, Pitt-street.
S. F. begs to return his sincere thanks for the very liberal patronage accorded him during the past eleven years, and to inform his numerous patrons that the business will be carried on as usual by W. P. WELCH, so favourably known in the business for the last nine years, and for whom a continuation of favours is respectfully solicited.

IN INSOLVENCY.—ACCOUNTS Current and Plans of Distribution in the undermentioned Estates are filed in the Registrar's Office, at the Insolvent Court, King-street, and will be confirmed by the Court on FRIDAY, the fourth day of January, 1867, at 11 o'clock, if no caveats are filed before the 2nd January.
ROBERT HAMILTON SEMPILL,
Official Assignee.
In the Estate of WILLIAM PETTY, a first account current.
In the Estate of HENRY S. HAYES, ditto ditto.
In the Estate of MOSS C. COHEN, a first account current, with a dividend of 3 9-16d in the £ on concurrent proofs.
In the Estate of LOTZE and LARNACH, a second account current, and second plan of distribution, showing a second dividend of 10s in the £ on preferent proofs, an equalising dividend of 20s in the £ on £67 10s, preferent proof, and a first dividend of 1s 2 21-31 in the £ on concurrent proofs.

NOTICE.—In the estate of Messrs. VENNARD and STEVENS.—The Trustees in the above estate hereby notify that they have disposed of the stock of Sewing Machines and requisites to Mr. Jonathan F. Wooster.
GEORGE MULLEN,
JOHN S. GREEN,
A. ASHDOWN, } Trustees.

Referring to the above notice, the undersigned begs to intimate that the business will be conducted as hitherto on the premises, No. 15, Wynyard-street, under the management of Mr. M. A. Vennard.
JONATHAN F. WOOSTER.
Sydney, December 22nd, 1866.

NOTICE.—In the ESTATE of Messrs. JOHN and EDWARD ROW, Wholesale Druggists, Pitt-street. The Trustees of the Estate hereby give notice that they have disposed of the entire assets to Messrs. BRILBY and SCOTT, to whom all outstanding accounts are to be paid.
JOHN THOMPSON,
MOSES MOSS,
T. A. DIBBS, } Trustees.

Referring to the above Notice, the undersigned beg to intimate that the business will be conducted as hitherto in all its branches, under the management of John and Edward Row.
BRILBY and SCOTT.
Sydney, December 10th, 1866.

ILLUMINATION.—Addresses, Testimonials, &c., ornamentally engrossed, illuminated, and emblazoned on VELLUM (or at cheaper rates on Bristol and London board), in emblematic, scroll, heraldic, and other work, in gold, colours, &c. As gifts to public men, captains of vessels, employers, and others, either alone or accompanying "presentation services," purses, &c., these addresses, which are admirably adapted for framing, form most acceptable presents, and are at present very much in vogue in England. Address GESSO, care of Mr. T. C. Street, watchmaker, Bridge-street.

FALLERDING, Practical Chronometer, Watch, and Clock Maker, 25, Hunter-street, 3 doors west of Pitt-street. Just received, Gold and Silver WATCHES, of finest manufacture; also, fine Gold Jewellery, latest designs.

SATURDAY HALF-HOLIDAY.—F. ALLERDING, Chronometer Watch and Clock Maker, 25, Hunter-street, respectfully informs his numerous Patrons that, on and after the 5th of January, 1867, his Establishment will be CLOSED on SATURDAYS at 2 p.m.

DEUTSCHER EVANGELISCHER GOTTESDIENST, jeden Sonntag, 11 Uhr, im Morgens in der Australian Library.

PERSONS ADVERTISED FOR.

AN OLD FRIEND will be glad to see H. E. NEVILL. Send address Delta, HERALD Office.

ALLEN RAMSEY, late of City of Cork, Ireland: your Sister ELIZA HENRY wishes to communicate with you. Address No. 140, Bridge Road, Richmond, Melbourne, Victoria.

AMERICA, schooner.—J. D. ROBINSON, FREDERIC HANSON and SAMUEL COLLINS would oblige by calling at the Pacific Insurance Company's Office, Pitt-street.

BRIDGET SHAUGHNESSY, or any one that is interested in her, write to JAMES SHAUGHNESSY, to the General Post Office, Melbourne.

BOLAND, PATRICK or MARY, from Limerick, Ireland, your Sister BRIDGET arrived at Melbourne per ship Champion of the Seas, and wishes to hear from you. Address care of Mr. PHAIR, Station-street, Melbourne.

JAMES RIDDELL, who left ship Maid of Judah July, 1865, write to JOHN WATT, second mate Colonial Empire, Circular Quay. He has news of much importance to communicate to you.

PROROGATION OF PARLIAMENT.—As Parliament will be Prorogued at 12 o'clock noon, THIS DAY, there is no time to send Cards of Admission; but those gentlemen to whom they have usually been sent can obtain them on application to the Usher of the Black Rod.
H. SHADFORTH, Usher of the Black Rod.
Council Chamber, December 21, 1866.

No. 66-120. Town Clerk's Office,
Sydney, 20th December, 1866.
ARREARS OF SEWERAGE RATES.—NOTICE is hereby given to all persons in arrears with Sewerage Rates for the years 1865 and 1866, that unless the same be paid into the City Treasurer's Office, on or before the 31st instant, legal proceedings will be taken for the recovery of the same.
CHARLES H. WOOLCOTT, Town Clerk.

PITT-STREET CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.—Until the reopening of this Church, which (D.V.) will take place on the 24th proximo, the SUNDAY SERVICES continue to be conducted by the Rev. JOHN GRAHAM, at the Prince of Wales Theatre. Services at 11 and 7.

CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL, GLEBE.—Divine Service will be held in the room temporarily engaged for that purpose, old Parramatta Road, on SUNDAY EVENING, the 22nd instant, at 7 o'clock.

WEEK OF PRAYER, JANUARY, 1867.—Christian Ministers favourable to the United observance of the Week of Prayer at the commencement of the New Year, are requested to MEET in the Vestry of St. Stephen's Church, Macquarie-street, on MONDAY next, at eleven o'clock a.m., to make the necessary arrangements.

ST. LEONARDS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, NORTH SHORE.—The Rev. S. C. Kent, of Newtown, will preach (D.V.) in this church on SUNDAY next, the 23rd instant. A collection after the services.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, Surry Hills.—The Sermons and Collections in this church, TO-MORROW, will be in aid of the funds of the Church Society for the Diocese of Sydney. Morning Sermon, Rev. J. FLETCHER, M.A.; Evening Sermon, Rev. PERCY J. SMITH.

FREE CHURCH OF ENGLAND.—Oddfellows' Hall, Brisbane-street, near Goulburn-street.—Divine SERVICE every SUNDAY, at 11 and 7 o'clock.
Marriages, &c., without compulsory fees; necessary expenses defrayed by voluntary offerings only. Rev. Dr. BAILEY, Minister, 41, Burton-street, South Head Road.

SATURDAY SPECIAL FUND, HALF-H

NOTICE UNDER REAL PROPERTY ACT.—APPLICATIONS having been made to bring the Lands hereunder described under the provisions of the Real Property Act, Certificates of indefeasible title will issue, unless Caveats be lodged in form B of the said Act, on or before the dates named opposite each case respectively.

Property.	Names of Applicants	Residence.	Date up to and inclusive of which Caveat may be lodged.
			1867.
No. 1445, SHOALHAVEN RIVER, COUNTY OF ST. VINCENT—66 acres and 37 acres, originally granted to William Rouse	John Cochrane	Sydney	January 2.
No. 1447, PARISH OF NUNDLE, COUNTY OF PARY—73 acres 3 roods 29 perches, being portions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 15, near Nundle, originally granted to George Douglas	William Archibald Douglas	Sandhurst, Colony of Victoria	January 2.
No. 1448, TOWN OF NUNDLE—2 roods; lot 13 of section 2, originally granted to James Buckland	William Archibald Douglas	Ditto, ditto.....	January 2.
No. 1449, TOWN OF NUNDLE—11 acres 12 perches, suburban lots 3 and 4 of section 28, originally granted to George Douglas	William Archibald Douglas	Ditto, ditto.....	January 2.
No. 1450, PARISH OF TAMWORTH—5 acres 2 roods 16 perches; portion 27, originally granted to John Donoly	William Archibald Douglas	Ditto, ditto.....	January 2.
No. 1451, TOWN OF TAMWORTH—1 acre 2 roods; lots 1, 2, and 16 of section 39, originally granted to John Donoly	William Archibald Douglas	Ditto, ditto.....	January 2.
No 1462, TOWN OF TAMWORTH—2 roods; lot 14 of section 29, originally granted to John Donoly	William Archibald Douglas	Ditto, ditto.....	January 2.
No. 1453, TOWN OF DUNGOWAN—1 acre; lots 1 and 10 of section 7, originally granted to George Douglas	William Archibald Douglas	Ditto, ditto.....	January 2.
No. 1454, TOWN OF NUNDLE—3 acres; lots 2 and 13 of section 23, originally granted to John Mulligan and James Lenney	William Archibald Douglas	Ditto, ditto.....	January 2.
No. 1455, TOWN OF DUNGOWAN—2 roods; lot 1 of section 8; and 2 roods, lot 5 of section 13, originally granted to George Douglas	William Archibald Douglas	Ditto, ditto.....	January 2.
No. 1463, REDFERN—28¼ perches; lots 33, 34, and 35, of block 3 of section 8, of the Redfern Estate, at the intersection of Turner-street with George-street South	Elizabeth Spears ..	Brisbane Water..	January 2.
No. 1464, PARISH OF KENILWORTH—30 acres; near Costa, on Wangeola Creek, originally granted to Henry Matthias Fulton	George Campbell ..	Jerula, near Cowra	January 2.
No. 1468, VILLAGE OF BALGOWLAH, PARISH OF MANLY COVE—5 acres 1 rood, at the junction of White and West streets, originally granted to the late James Caldwell	Henry Arthur Merridew	Paddington	January 8.
No. 1378, DARLING POINT—3 roods 7¼ perches; commencing at the corner of the Darling Point Road and the Yarranabee Road; and bounded on the east by the Darling Point Road, 235 feet; south by the upper road, 150 feet 6 inches; west by lots 8 and 19, 228 feet; north by the Yarranabee Road, 150 feet, being lots 5, 6, and 7 of the Misses Mitchell's subdivision of the Yarranabee Estate	Thomas Skinner....	Sydney	January 15.
No. 929, TOWN OF PARRAMATTA—32 perches; commencing in Macquarie-street 120 links west from Smith-street, and bounded on the south by Macquarie-street, 75½ links; west by John Taylor's 264 perches, 214 links; north by a fenced line, 75½ links; east by another fenced line to the point of commencement, being part of lot 74 of section 10, originally granted to Arthur Little, in trust	Samuel Taylor	Limekilns, Peel..	March 1.
No. 1216, TOWN OF PARRAMATTA—36½ perches; bounded on the south by Macquarie-street, 104½ links; west by lot 75, 215½ links; north by a fenced line, 108 links; east by Samuel Taylor's land, 214 links, being part of lot 74 of section 10, originally granted to Arthur Little, in trust	John Taylor	Parramatta	March 1.
No. 1367, DOWLING-STREET, SURRY HILLS—58 perches; bounded on the east by Dowling street, 95 feet 6 inches; north-east by the southern boundary of the Riley Estate, 170 feet; west by a line southerly 157 feet to Junction-street; south by Junction-street, 136 feet 6 inches, being lots 24 and 25 of a subdivision by Nobbs	Thomas Galvin	Newtown	March 1.
No. 1530, SOUTH KINGSTON ESTATE, NEWTOWN—1 rood 13½ perches, being lot 26 and eastern moiety of lot 27 of section 12 of the South Kingston Estate	George Wigram Allen	Sydney	March 1.
No. 1555, LANE COVE—15 acres 2 roods 14 perches; commencing on the road to Pitt Water, at the south-east corner of George Mudi's land; and bounded on the north by that land, 813 links; west by land belonging to John Brown, 1800 links; south and east by the Lane Cove Road, leading to Pitt Water, by lines easterly 867 links, and northerly 1836 links, being part of a subdivision of Ayre's 320 acres	John Brown	Lane Cove.....	March 1.

Diagrams delineating these Lands may be inspected at the Registrar General's Office, in Elizabeth-street, Sydney.
Dated this 19th day of December, 1866, at the Registrar-General's Office, Sydney.
THEO. JAS. JAQUES, Registrar-General.

Department of Public Works,
Sydney, 21st December, 1866.

TENDERS for PUBLIC WORKS and SUPPLIES.—Tenders are invited for the following Public Works and Supplies. For full particulars see GOVERNMENT GAZETTE, a file of which is kept at every Police Office in the colony.

No tender will be taken into consideration unless the terms of the notice be strictly complied with.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

Nature of Works and Supplies.	Date to which Tenders can be received at this Office.
Roadwork Bridge, &c., on road from Gundagai Bridge to Mount-street, South Gundagai	12 o'clock noon on Thursday, 27th Dec.
Supply of Coffins during the year 1867	
Cartage of Railway Materials from shipping Wharfs to Redfern Station	
Erection of Twenty (20) Gate Lodges at Railway Level Crossings	12 o'clock noon, on Wednesday, 2nd Jan., 1867.
Iron Brackets, Darlinghurst Gaol	12 o'clock noon on Tuesday, 8th January.
Great Southern Road, 3rd District, 1st Division:—Contract 1-67 Metalling, Bean's Inn to Fish River	
Contract 6-67 Metalling, near Barber's and Sharpening Stone Creeks	
Contract 7-67 Clearing, Bowning to Bogolong Creek	
Contract 8-67 Clearing, Bogolong Creek to Reedy Creek	
Great Southern Road, 3rd District, 2nd Division:—Contract 1-67 Clearing, Reedy Creek to Jugiong	
Contract 2-67 Clearing, Cooney's Creek to Black Springs	
Contract 3-67 Clearing, Money Money to Colac	
Contract 4-67 Clearing, Coolac to Spring Creek	
Lower Tumbler for Dredge "Hercules"	12 o'clock noon on Tuesday, 15th January
Repairs to Wharf at Tathra	12 o'clock noon, on Tuesday, 22nd January, 1867.
Erection of Beacons at entrance to Clarence River	
Erection of Beacon at entrance to Port Macquarie	
Alterations to Mud Punt at Newcastle	

JAMES BYRNES.

VICTORIA, by the grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith, &c.

To all and singular clerks and literate persons whomsoever and wheresoever in and throughout our colony of New South Wales and the dependencies thereof,

GREETING:

We do hereby authorise, empower, and strictly enjoin and command you, jointly and severally, peremptorily to cite or cause to be cited, JOHN NOTT and ISAAC GORRICK, two of the executors named in the last will and testament of JOHN NATION, late of Lochivar, in the said colony of New South Wales, landholder, deceased, having whilst living, and at the time of his death, goods, chattels, and credits within our said colony or the dependencies thereof, sufficient to found the jurisdiction of our Supreme Court, to appear personally, or by their proctor duly constituted before our said Court, at the Court-house, King-street, Sydney, on the fifteenth day after they shall have been served with this citation, and if it be a Court day, or on the Court day then next following, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon of the same day, and there to abide, if occasion shall require, during the sitting of the said Court, and then and there to accept or refuse the burden of the probate and execution of the said will of the said deceased, or otherwise to show good and sufficient cause why letters of administration, with the said will annexed, of all and singular the goods, and chattels, and credits of the said deceased should not be granted and committed according to law: and further to do and receive, as unto law and justice shall appertain, under pain of the law and contempt thereof, at the instance of PHŒBE M'DERMOTT, the widow of the said deceased; and what you shall do or cause to be done in the premises you shall duly certify unto our said Court, together with these presents.

Witness, the Honorable Sir ALFRED STEPHEN, Knight Companion of the Bath, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court at Sydney, the twenty-first day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, and the thirtieth year of our reign.

For the Prothonotary,
F. H. STEPHEN,
Chief Clerk of the Supreme Court.

JOHN RYAN BRENNAN, Proctor for the said Phœbe M'Dermott, West Maitland, by J. RUSSELL JONES, King-street, Sydney.

NOTICE.—In consequence of my giving up the slaughtering business, I hereby give notice to all parties INDEBTED to me, that unless arrangements are made for the immediate settlement of their accounts, they will be handed over to my solicitor.
JAMES GRAHAM, Victoria-chambers, Pitt-street.

RAILWAY PRODUCE SALES.—In consequence of Tuesday next being Christmas Day, the auctioneers in connection with the above sales, beg to inform their constituents and the public generally, that their next auction Sale Day for hay, straw, &c., will be held on FRIDAY, the 28th December, at 10 o'clock.

DOUBLE BAY AMATEUR REGATTA. — 1st January, 1867.
Patron:
His Excellency Sir John Young, Bart., K.C.B., &c., &c.
President:
The Hon. Sir William Montague Manning, M.L.C.
Vice-Presidents:
The Hon. Robert Towns, M.L.C.
Captain Richardson.
Treasurer:
George S. Caird, Esq.
Empire and Starter:
George Thornton, Esq.
Hon. Secretary:
J. M. Brown, Esq.
Committee:

J. M. Brown, Esq.	Charles Parbury, Esq.
S. C. Burt, Esq.	J. Grafton Rose, Esq.
George S. Caird, Esq.	J. P. Roxburgh, Esq.
John Cooper, Esq.	F. Smart, Esq.
Alfred Fairfax, Esq.	W. D. Stewart, Esq.
W. O. Gilchrist, Esq.	George Thornton, Esq.
Hon. S. D. Gordon, M.L.C.	W. Trickett, Esq.
J. R. Gosling, Esq.	T. Wilshire, Esq.
John Hay, Esq.	Captain Trouton
Edward Knox, Esq.	Edward Wyld, Esq.
W. Laidley, Esq.	James Norton, Esq.
James Milson, jun., Esq.	

1st Race.—To start at 10.30 a.m. All youths under 16, pulling a pair of sculls in dingies not exceeding 12 feet on keel. Course: From flagship round Clark Island, back round flagship round Clark Island again, and back to flagship. Entrance 5s. Prizes—first, £3 3s; second, £1 1s.

2nd Race.—To start at 11 a.m. First-class Yacht Race, for all yachts not exceeding 15 tons measurement fore and aft, canvas only. Course: From moorings in Double Bay, round Fort Denison, round boat off Botany Heads, and back to flagship. Time for tonnage half-minute per ton. Entrance £2 2s. Prize, cup value £30.

3rd Race.—To start at 11 a.m. Second-class Yacht Race, for all yachts not exceeding 15 tons centre boards excluded. Course: From moorings in Double Bay, round Fort Denison, round lightship and Sow and Pigs, back round flagship, round Fort Denison, round boat moored off Manly Beach, and back to the flagship. Time for tonnage half-minute per ton. Entrance £1 1s. Prize, cup £20.

4th Race.—To start at 11.30. For all gentlemen amateurs pulling a pair of sculls in light skiffs. Course same as No. 1. Entrance 10s. Prize, £5 5s.

5th Race.—To start at 11.45. For all pulling dingies not exceeding 15 feet over all, under canvas. Course: From moorings in Double Bay, round Clark Island, round flagship, round Fort Denison, round Shark Island, and back round flagship. Entrance 5s. Prizes—1st, £6 6s; second, £2 2s.

6th Race.—To start at 12 o'clock. For all open boats (centreboards and fins excluded), not exceeding 22 feet over all. Course: From moorings in Double Bay, round Fort Denison, round Shark Island, round flagship, round Fort Denison, round lightship and Sow and Pigs and back to flagship. Entrance 10s 6d. Prizes—first, £10 10s; second, £2 2s.

7th Race.—To start at 12.30. Built and classed as watermen's skiffs, under canvas, not exceeding 22 feet over all, 5 feet beam, and 20 inches depth; false keels, fins, and centre boards excluded. Course: From moorings in Double Bay, round Clark Island, round flagship, round red buoy Fort Macquarie, round Shark Island, and back round flagship. Entrance 10s 6d. Prizes—first, £8 8s; second, £2 2s.

8th Race.—To start at 1 p.m. For all Gentlemen Amateurs, pulling a pair of oars in light skiffs, with coxswain. Course: From flagship round Clark Island and flagship twice, and back to the flagship. Entrance 10s 6d. Prize, £10 10s. Cups.

9th Race.—To start at 2 p.m. Third-class Yacht Race, for all yachts and open boats under 8 tons, centre boards excluded. Course: From moorings in Double Bay, round Fort Denison, round lightship and Sow and Pigs, round flagship, round Fort Denison, round lightship and Sow and Pigs, and back to the flagship. Entrance 10s. Prize £12 12s.

10th Race.—To start at 2.15 p.m. For all bona fide fishermen's boats not exceeding 22 feet over all, owned and manned by bona fide fishermen and used for fishing purposes, crew not to exceed six hands; to make the best of their way over the course either with oars or under canvas, or both. Course: From moorings round Shark Island round flagship, round lightship and Sow and Pigs, and back to the flagship. Entrance 5s. Prize £12 12s.

11th Race.—To start at 3 p.m. For all Gentlemen Amateurs, pulling two pairs of sculls in light skiffs, with coxswains. Course same as No. 8. Entrance 10s 6d. Prize £10 10s. Cups.

12th Race.—To start at 4 p.m. Gig and Dingy Race. Entrance 2s 6d. Prize £3 3s.

RULES.

1. Two bona-fide entrances will constitute a race.
2. All first and second class yachts must must be steered by members of the R. S. Y. S., and manned by gentlemen amateurs, but yachts allowed their own regular crews.
3. All points to be rounded must be kept on the starboard hand.
4. All races to be sailed under the regulations of the R. S. Y. S.
5. All entrances and boats may be received or rejected by the committee.
6. The decision of the umpire shall in all cases be final.
7. Unless three boats start there will be no second prize.

Subscribers of half a guinea will be entitled to a ticket to a steamer, which will accompany all the principal races.

The fine steamer City of Newcastle will leave the Circular Quay, at 10 a.m. Admission by ticket only obtainable from any member of the committee.
J. M. BROWN, Honorary Secretary.

ALL PRIZES, NO BLANKS.—Christmas PRIZES at PILLEY'S, Foresters' Hall, to be drawn on Christmas Eve. 200 members at 1s each.

TATTERSALL'S CLUB ANNUAL RACES.

To be run on Randwick Racecourse 1st January, 1867.
Under the Patronage of his Excellency the Right Honorable Sir John Young, Bart., K.C.B., G.C.B.G.

Stewards—The Committee of Tattersall's Club.
Judge—W. B. Walford, Esq.
Handicapper—Captain R. Hare.
Treasurer—Samuel Jenner, Esq.
Clerk of the Course and Starter.—B. Richards, Esq.

FIRST RACE.—To start at half-past 11 o'clock.—MAIDEN PLATE of 130 sovereigns, added to a sweepstakes of 6 sovereigns each; for all maidens at the time of entrance, winners of two-year-olds stakes excepted, which will be admitted subject to the penalties of rule 2, A. J. C.; the second horse to receive 20 sovereigns out of the stakes; 1¼ mile. Winners after the time of entrance to carry 5 lbs.; twice, 7 lbs. extra. Entrance, £3 5s. Entrances, accompanied by entrance fee, will be received from this date, addressed under cover, to Mr. S. Jenner, Horse Bazaar, Pitt-street; and the sweepstakes must be paid on or before the day of general entry, 14th December.

SECOND RACE.—To start at half past 12 o'clock.—HACK STAKES of 25 sovereigns, with a sweepstakes of 1 sovereign each; the second horse to receive the sweep; once round the course. The winner to be sold by auction immediately after the race for £20, any surplus over that sum to go to the funds. Post entrance, 1 sovereign; weight, 9 st.

THIRD RACE.—To start at 2 o'clock.—The TATTERSALL'S HANDICAP of 150 sovereigns, added to a sweepstakes of 12 sovereigns each, h. ft. 4 sovereigns if declared by 15th December, entrance fee only if by the 7th December, for all horses. 1¼ mile; second horse 20 sovereigns from the prize; weights on the 1st December; a winner of any handicap thereafter 3 lbs. extra, of two or more 5 lbs. extra; entrance, £3 15s. The forfeits must be declared previous to 4 p.m. on the respective days above named, and those declared on the 15th December must be accompanied by 4 sovereigns, otherwise it will not be a declaration; all other forfeits and stakes must be paid previous to 10 a.m. on the day of the race. Closed with fourteen nominations.

FOURTH RACE.—To start at a quarter to 3 o'clock.—PONY RACE of 20 sovereigns, with a sweepstakes of 1 sovereign each, for all ponies not exceeding 14 hands, the second pony to receive the sweeps. The winner to be sold by auction immediately after the race for £20, any surplus over that sum to go to the funds; entrance 1 sovereign; 1¼ mile; catch weights. Entrances to be addressed to S. Jenner, Esq., Honorary Treasurer, Burt's Bazaar, Pitt-street. To close at 4 p.m. 14th December.

Owners of horses are informed in consequence of the Pony Race closing with one entry, the following substitute race has been added to the programme, viz:—

FIFTH RACE.—To start at 3 o'clock.—The SUBSTITUTE, of 30 sovereigns, with a sweepstakes of 4 sovereigns each, for all horses, 1 mile, weight for age. Second horse to receive 5 sovereigns from the prize. Entrance 1 sovereign. To close on Friday, the 28th December, at 4 p.m., addressed (marked entrance) under cover, to S. Jenner, Esq., Burt's Bazaar, Pitt-street.

SIXTH RACE.—To start at a quarter to 4 o'clock.—BELTER SKELTER of 20 sovereigns, with a sweepstakes of 1 sovereign each; the second horse to receive the sweep; weight 10 st. The winner to be sold by auction immediately after the race for £20, any surplus over that sum to go to the funds; post entrance 1 sovereign. Half-mile.

SEVENTH RACE.—To start at half-past 4 o'clock.—The NEW YEAR'S GIFT of 75 sovereigns, added to a handicap sweepstakes of 6 sovereigns each, h. ft., if declared by the 27th December; for all horses; 1¼ mile; second horse, 15 sovereigns from the prize; weights on the 22nd December. The winner of Tattersall's Handicap to carry a penalty of 7 lbs., without reference to other penalties; entrance, 2 sovereigns. To close at 4 p.m. on Friday, 14th December. Entrances to be addressed to S. Jenner, Esq., Honorary Treasurer, Burt's Bazaar, Pitt-street.

EIGHTH RACE.—To start at 5 o'clock.—GREAT TROTTING MATCH for 1800 sovereigns, between "Sir William Don" and the "Fool." Distance, 3 miles.

NINTH RACE.—To start at 6 o'clock.—The CONSOLATION STAKES (Handicap) of 30 sovereigns, with a sweepstakes of 3 sovereigns each, for all beaten horses during the meeting; second horse to receive 10 sovereigns from the prize; 1¼ mile. Entrances to be made to the Secretary by 5 o'clock on the day of the race. No entrance fee.

The races will be run under the Australian Jockey Club rules.

No horse whatever will be admitted into the saddling paddock on the plea of coming in with a racehorse.

One groom in charge of racehorse will be admitted to the saddling paddock.

No equipages or horses (racehorses excepted) will be admitted to the saddling paddock on any pretence whatever, except by cards of admission.

No omnibuses will be admitted inside the gate of the course grounds.

The start for each race during the forthcoming meeting will take place punctually at the advertised time, and in order that there may be no misunderstanding, the warning bell will be rung twenty minutes previous to the time of starting. The second bell will be rung for saddling, and the third bell will be rung in time for horses leaving the paddock to reach the starting post.

CHARGES AT THE GATE FOR ADMISSION TO THE COURSE.

Each person on foot or in vehicle	1s. 0d.
Horseman	2 6
Horse drawing	0 6
Pair of wheels	0 6

ADMISSION TO SADDLING PADDOCK AND GRAND STAND.

Gentlemen	7s 6d each
Ladies	5 0
Children	2 6

By order of the Stewards,
JAMES HERALD, Secretary.

NEW YEAR'S DAY.

ATHLETIC SPORTS
in the
PARRAMATTA PARK,
1st JANUARY, 1867.

Patron:
Honorable James Byrnes.
Committee:

James S. Farnell, Esq., M.L.A.	A. L. M'Dougall, Esq. J.P.
C. M'Crae, Esq., J.P.	Alderman Harper
Alderman Golledge	Dr. Fyffe
Alderman F. Wickham	Mr. E. Betts
Captain Fairclough	Mr. John Taylor.

Hon. Secretary:
Mr. John Taylor.
Hon. Treasurer
Alderman Golledge.

PROGRAMME.

First Race.—To start at 11 o'clock.—Maiden Plate, 100 yards. First prize, 2 sovereigns; second prize, 10s. Entrance fee, 2s 6d.

Second Race.—To start at 11.30 a.m. Walking Match for youths 17 and under, 440 yards. First prize, 1 sovereign; second prize, 10s. Entrance fee, 1s 6d.

Third Race.—To start at 12 a.m. Handicap Hurdle Race, 440 yards. First prize, 3 sovereigns; second prize, 1 sovereign. Entrance fee, 4s.

Fourth Race.—To start at 12.30 a.m. Running Hop, Step, and Jump. Prize, 1 sovereign. Entrance fee, 1s.

Fifth Race.—To start at 12.45. All Comers Handicap, 150 yards. First prize, 3 sovereigns; second prize, 1 sovereign. Entrance fee, 4s.

Sixth Race.—To start at 2.15. Three-Legged Race, 100 yards. Prize, 80s. Entrance fee, 2s.

Seventh Race.—To start at 2.30. Sack Hurdle Race, 80 yards. Prize, 1 sovereign. Entrance fee, 1s.

Eighth Race.—To start at 2.45. Half-mile Handicap. First prize, 4 sovereigns; second prize, 1 sovereign. Entrance fee, 5s.

Ninth Race.—To start at 3 o'clock.—Hurdle Race, 200 yards, for youths, 17 and under. First prize, 1 sovereign; second prize, 5s. Entrance fee, 1s.

Tenth Race.—To start at 3.15. Tub or Dingy Race. First prize, 2 sovereigns; second prize, 10s. Entrance fee, 2s 6d.

Eleventh Race.—To start at 3.30. Volunteer Match in Full Uniform, 200 yards. First prize, 2 sovereigns; second prize, 1 sovereign. Entrance fee, 2s 6d.

Twelfth Race.—To start at 3.45. Three-legged Race, for youths, 18 and under, 80 yards. First prize, 1 sovereign; second prize, 5s. Entrance fee, 1s.

Thirteenth Race.—To start at 4 o'clock. Handicap Walking Match, 1½ mile. First prize, 3 sovereigns; second prize, 1 sovereign. Entrance fee, 4s.

Fourteenth Match.—To take place at 4.15. Throwing the Cricket Ball. Prize, 1 sovereign. Entrance fee, 1s.

Fifteenth Race.—To start at 4.30. For youths, 12 years and under, 75 yards. First prize, 1 sovereign; second prize, 5s. Entrance fee, 1s.

Sixteenth Race.—To start at 4.45. Youths' Tub or Dingy Race. First prize, 1 sovereign; second prize, 5s. Entrance fee, 1s.

Seventeenth Race.—To start at 5. Blindfold Wheelbarrow Race. Prize, 1 sovereign. Entrance fee, 1s.

Jingling Match, climbing the greasy pole, and various other amusements will be introduced between the hours named in the above races, and the sports to conclude with the catching the pig with the greasy tail.

Entrances received by the secretary from this date up to 9 o'clock on the evening of the 27th December, at his office, Church-street, Parramatta.

The committee reserve the power to refuse any entrance they think proper.

If there are only three entrances for a race no second prize will be given.

Each competitor must wear a distinguishing colour to be named at the time of entrance.

No tights or drawers allowed.

A Prize, "The Parramatta Bouquet," will be presented to the competitor wearing the handsomest and neatest dress.

A splendid band will be in attendance, and play throughout the day.

Luncheon booths and refreshment stalls will be on the grounds.

No charge for admission to the Park.

Excursion trains will run throughout the day at the cheap fares.

GRAND INTERCOLONIAL CRICKET MATCH.
NEW SOUTH WALES v. VICTORIA.
To be played in the Domain on WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY, and SATURDAY next, under the patronage of his Excellency
Sir JOHN YOUNG.
Admission to the Ground, one shilling; Grand Stand, two shillings and sixpence.
RICHARD DRIVER, Jun., Hon. Secretary.

GRAND INTERCOLONIAL CRICKET MATCH.
NEW SOUTH WALES v. VICTORIA.
Subscribers to the amount of one guinea may obtain their cards of admission to the ground on application to any member of the committee.
RICHARD DRIVER, jun., Hon Secretary.

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RICHARD DRIVER, jun., Hon. Secretary.

GRAND INTERCOLONIAL CRICKET MATCH,
NEW SOUTH WALES v. VICTORIA.
Tickets of admission to the Grand Stand, available for the four days, may be obtained from any of the Committee, upon payment of seven shillings and sixpence.
RICHARD DRIVER, Jun., Hon. Sec.

GREAT CHRISTMAS SPORTS.
Albert Cricket Ground,
THIS DAY! SATURDAY! THIS DAY!
The "Caxton" PROGRAMMES, on perfumed paper, price 6d.
M. M'Mahon, George-street; at the Caxton Office; and of the runners, on the Ground.

ATHLETIC SPORTS, THIS DAY, on the Albert Ground, beginning at 2 o'clock.

ATHLETIC SPORTS, THIS DAY. Half mile Handicap. Prizes, Thirteen Sovereigns.

ATHLETIC SPORTS, THIS DAY. Three Miles Walking Match. Prizes, Thirteen Sovereigns.

ATHLETIC SPORTS, THIS DAY. 440 yards, Hurdle Race. Prizes, Seven Sovereigns.

ATHLETIC SPORTS, THIS DAY. Albert Handicap. Prizes, Ten Sovereigns.

ATHLETIC SPORTS, THIS DAY. Victoria v. New South Wales, on Albert Ground.

ATHLETIC SPORTS, THIS DAY. Sack Racing, Catching Pig, Walking, and Flat Races.

ATHLETIC SPORTS, THIS DAY. — 'Buses to Albert Ground every five minutes.

ATHLETIC SPORTS, THIS DAY, to begin at 2 o'clock.

ATHLETIC SPORTS, THIS DAY, on the Albert Ground, at 2 o'clock.

ATHLETIC SPORTS, THIS DAY.—The Caxton Programmes are authorised by Committee.

THE VICTORIAN CRICKETERS will practice on the Albert Ground from 10 until 2 THIS DAY.

THE VICTORIAN CRICKETERS will practice THIS DAY, on the Albert Cricket Ground.

BOXING DAY
AT
MANLY BEACH.

PEDESTRIANISM.
GOOSE RACES,
BUCKET RACE,
SACK RACES.

MONSIEUR VERTILLI
will make several ascents on the CORDE during the day.
M. Vertilli claims for himself the designation of
THE AUSTRALIAN BLONDIN,
to which he is justly entitled if the verdict of the Crowned Heads of Europe, unanimously expressive of admiration, be, as it should be, a passport to the favour and patronage of
THE AUSTRALIAN PUBLIC.
In addition to the variety of Entertainments to be provided, the Caterers have engaged
THE CELEBRATED ITALIAN BAND,
to the inspiring strains of which the votaries of Terpsichore are invited to honour with their presence
THE NEW GRAND SALOON
(45 feet by 60),
OPPOSITE THE PIER.

BOXING DAY. BOXING DAY.
ST. STEPHEN'S DAY.
CHEAP EXCURSION TO CLONTARF, MIDDLE HARBOUR.

The members of the Catholic Guild of St. Mary and St. Joseph have engaged the splendid steamships ILLALONG and COMERANG, for an Excursion to Clontarf Gardens on the above day. There will be a variety of amusements. Racing, Leaping, Dancing, Quoits, Aunt Sally, &c., for which prizes will be given. Dancing in the large pavilion.

Mr. CUNNINGHAM, the celebrated Irish Piper, will perform upon his magnificent Irish Pipes.

Steamers will leave Woolloomooloo Bay at 9 and 9.30 a.m., 2 and 2.30 p.m., and Circular Quay at 8.45, 10.30, and 11 a.m., 12 and 12.30, 1.30 and 2 p.m. Returning at 4, 6, and 7.30 p.m.

Tickets, 2s. each; children, half price, may be had at the following places:—Mr. T. Clune and Mr. P. Larkins, Parramatta-street; Mr. W. Brady, Market-street; Mr. Linnane, William-street; Mr. Tierney, South Head Road; Mr. P. Freehill, Mr. J. J. Hayes, and Mr. Flanagan, George-street.

BOXING DAY.—SIR JOSEPH BANKS HOTEL, BOTANY BAY.
J. MULLIGAN, proprietor of the above delightful Gardens and Pleasure Grounds, intimates to his friends and the public generally that he has provided for the above occasion every description of amusements and athletic sports. The Gardens and Grounds, which are too well known to need any comment, are now in splendid order.

SIR JOSEPH BANKS HOTEL, BOTANY BAY.—'BUSES will leave Sydney for the above place between the hours of 10 and 12 a.m.

SYDNEY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY, No. 2.—The Annual Picnic of the above will take place at Balmoral Gardens, on WEDNESDAY, January 9th, 1867. Tickets may be obtained of the committee, Messrs. W. Camb, Pitt-street; J. Stephens, 17, Hosking-place; W. S. Kelly, Red House, Pitt-street; T. Kelly, 275, Sussex-street; W. Hinchey, Castlereagh and Bathurst streets; G. Rees, Clark's Hotel, Philip-street North; J. Smith, Kent-street.

W. LANSBURY, Secretary.

FATHER CHRISTMAS. FATHER CHRISTMAS.—MISS COLUMBINE. MISS COLUMBINE, and the large CHRISTMAS TREE, for the first time in the colonies, will be seen on MONDAY, the 24th instant, from 7 o'clock in the morning till 12 at night, at LEMAIRE'S London and Paris Toy and Fancy Bazaar, Father Christmas in person, and Miss Columbine.

C. LEMAIRE takes this opportunity to thank his friends, customers, and the public in general, for their kind and large patronage bestowed upon him since he has been in business, and begs them to come and see Father Christmas and Miss Columbine. 5000 presents will be given away by Father Christmas to all the friends and customers. Remember MONDAY, the 24th instant.

A merry Christmas and a happy New Year to you all.

ST. JOHN'S DAY, December 27th, THURSDAY next.—Annual EXCURSION to BALMORAL.

ASHFIELD PARK BAZAAR.—Under the patronage of his Excellency the Right Honorable Sir JOHN YOUNG, Bart., K.C.B., G.C.M.G., and LADY YOUNG.
On SATURDAY, the 29th, and MONDAY, the 31st December,
A GRAND FANCY BAZAAR
will be held on the Grounds of Ashfield Park, in aid of the Building Fund of the Church of England School at Ashfield.

EXTRA TRAINS will ply to and from Ashfield, which will be duly advertised.

OMNIBUSES will convey visitors from the Ashfield Station to the Park free of expense.

By the kind permission of Colonel Waddy and the Officers of the 50th Regiment their
SPLENDID MILITARY BAND
will be in attendance.
THE REFRESHMENT TENT,
where luncheon, &c., will be supplied on moderate terms, will be under the superintendence of Mr. O'Brien, of Tattersall's.

VARIOUS GAMES,
such as Cricket, Croquet, Quoits, &c., will be played on the ground.
A SPECIAL LUNCH
will be provided at 2 p.m., on the 29th, at which his Excellency the GOVERNOR will be present. Tickets, 7s 6d each. Application to be made to FREDERICK KING, Esq., Hon. Secretary, No. 164, Phillip-street.
Admission to the Ground, 1s.

ASHFIELD PARK BAZAAR, 29th and 31st instant. Fruit and Cake Stalls for SALE. Apply H. VAUGHAN, 149, late 141, King-street East.

BOXING DAY.—RANDWICK.—VAUXHALL GARDENS.—Old English Sports and Pastimes.—Dancing on "The Green" and in the "Ball Room." A splendid Band engaged! JOHN GRICE, Proprietor.

BOXING DAY.—Railway Excursion Tickets, at Pierce's, news agent, William and Stanley streets.

A BALL, at the Waterloo Retreat Inn, Botany Road, on WEDNESDAY, the 26th.

WOOLLOOMOOLOO BAY REGATTA, 26th DECEMBER.
APPLICATIONS from persons desirous of providing Refreshments on board the flagship RECORD will be received by the Committee, at Punch and M'Grath's Hotel, between 11 and 12 o'clock THIS DAY.
J. P. LAMB, Honorary Secretary.

WOOLLOOMOOLOO BAY REGATTA, 26th DECEMBER.
Messrs. BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB will receive APPLICATIONS for the BOOTH, at Holdsworth's, THIS DAY.
J. P. LAMB, Honorary Secretary.

CREMORNE GARDENS, BOXING-DAY.—The steamer CULLODEN will leave the Circular Quay for the Gardens every hour during the day, commencing from 9 o'clock in the morning.
Dancing in the Rotunda; Cane's celebrated merry-go-round; swings and amusements of every description.
Refreshments at moderate charges.
A first-rate quadrille band engaged.
Fares (including admission to Gardens)—Adults, return tickets, 1s 6d; children, half-price.
Last steamer leaves at half past 7 p.m.

STEAM EXCURSION TO THE HAWKESBURY RIVER on BOXING-DAY.—JOSEPH HOLLANDS has much pleasure in informing his friends and the public that he has chartered the splendid steamship KEMBLA, and intends giving a first-class Lunch on board, consisting of poultry, hams, tongues, &c. Lemonade, soda water, tea, and coffee at any hour. Lunch 2s 6d each. J. H. hopes to do his best to please his friends by giving them the best articles at moderate charges. N.B.—Tickets or the trip to be had on board.

ST. JOHN'S DAY (27th December), Thursday.—Annual EXCURSION to BALMORAL.—For convenience and comfort, no overcrowding.—Steamer BLACK SWAN will leave the Quay at 10 and 11.45. Double trip, 2s. First-rate quadrille band. Old English sports. Refreshments on ground.

WATSON'S BAY.—BOXING-DAY.—Dancing in the Saloon, and other sports during the day.

WATSON'S BAY.—BOXING-DAY.—Come and see the well-known comic singer C. Williams.

WATSON'S BAY.—Charlie Williams in twelve of his celebrated characters for this day only.

WATSON'S BAY.—Climbing Greasy Pole, Running in Sacks, Wheelbarrow Race. Prizes for all.

WATSON'S BAY.—BOXING-DAY.—Steamers during the day Circular Quay and Woolloomooloo.

WATSON'S BAY.—BOXING-DAY.—The only place you can enjoy yourselves, and the cheapest.

SANS SOUCI HOTEL, W. E. RUST, Proprietor. This New and Fashionable WATERING PLACE, is situated on the point of Botany Bay and George's River, about five miles in a straight line over Cook's River Dam.
WEDDING PARTIES
will find Sans Souci strictly private for spending their Honeymoon.
Picnics and Wedding Breakfasts prepared in a superior style on reasonable notice. Wines and spirits of the best qualities at reasonable prices.
SANS SOUCI
is delightfully situated, the rocks abound with oysters, the river with fish. Two very superior boats, for rowing or sailing, with fishing tackle, kept for the use of visitors, free of charge.
Equestrians visiting Sans Souci can ride along the beautiful beach of Botany Bay by turning to the left immediately after crossing the Dam.
N.B.—Every care taken of horses.
Parties can be conveyed to Sans Souci by Mr. Flavelle's omnibus "Pioneer," on reasonable terms from the White Horse Hotel, George-street; or St. Peter's, Cook's River; or with buggies, &c., from Gibson's Repository, 282, Pitt-st.
All letters addressed to W. E. RUST, Sans Souci, Rocky Point, will receive immediate attention.

SANS SOUCI.—NOTICE.—FAVELLE'S 'Buses, Pioneers, will leave the White Horse, George-street, on SATURDAYS, at half-past 12 o'clock; on SUNDAYS, at 9 a

LAW.

SUPREME COURT.—FRIDAY.

SITTINGS IN BANCO.

BEFORE their Honors Sir ALFRED STEPHEN, Chief Justice, Mr. Justice CHEEKE, and Mr. Justice FAUCETT.

ADMISSION OF A BARRISTER.

The Attorney-General moved the admission, as a barrister of the Supreme Court of New South Wales, of Mr. Charles James Manning, B.A., of Corpus Christi College, Oxon, who was the son of Mr. J. E. Manning, of Sydney, and nephew of the Hon. Sir William Manning, Q.C., who had been called to the Bar by the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn in Michaelmas term last year. He (the Attorney-General) had no doubt that Mr. Manning would be an ornament to the profession.

The CHIEF JUSTICE, speaking for himself and the other members of the Court, said that they had all great pleasure in welcoming Mr. Manning to the ranks of the colonial Bar, and trusted that his career would be a distinguished one.

Admission ordered.

APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO APPEAL.

FITZGERALD v. FITZGERALD.

Mr. DARLEY, for defendant, moved for leave to appeal to the Privy Council against a decision by the Court sustaining a demurrer to defendant's plea. The suit was brought against an executor for the enforcement of an annuity of £100 a year. The plea held bad on demurrer was to the effect that this annuity had been brought to a close by the subsequent marriage of the grantor and the annuitant. It was averred that the amount in question—being the value of the entire annuity—was greater than £500; the amount required to warrant an appeal.

Mr. STEPHEN, for plaintiff, opposed the application upon two grounds—first, that defendant had pleaded *de novo* to the declaration in pursuance of the leave granted by the Court, when the demurrer to the first plea was sustained; secondly, because the amount involved was believed not to be so much as £500. The plaintiff was forty-five years of age, and there was an affidavit by the attorney to the effect that he had heard and believed that unless her life was insured the annuity was not worth £500.

Their HONORS being distinctly of opinion that while there was a plea to the declaration filed under leave of the Court there could be no appeal,

Mr. DARLEY applied to withdraw such plea, so that the case might be determined upon the result of the appeal alone.

After some further argument,

Their HONORS made the following order:—That, subject to proof by affidavit of an actuary or actuaries that the annuity was worth at least five years' purchase (£500), leave should be granted to appeal. The plea, however, to be withdrawn, and plaintiff to be at liberty to obtain and enforce judgment; but to give security for the return of the money, in the event of the appeal being decided against her. The appellant (having forfeited his right to appeal by pleading and having been allowed to withdraw his plea, and to appeal, *as grata*) to pay the costs of the present application.

IN INSOLVENCY.

Before his Honor the CHIEF JUSTICE (their Honors Mr Justice CHEEKE and Mr. Justice FAUCETT *sitting as assessors*).

INSOLVENCY APPEALS.

IN RE SPYER.

In reference to this estate there were two appeals.

The first was an appeal by the official assignee, Mr. R. H. Sempill, against a decision by the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates allowing a proof of £3660 against the estate of Spyer and Co., of Sydney. Mr Henry Spyer carried on business in London under the name of H. and J. Spyer and Co. His brother, Mr. Joseph Spyer, carried on business in Sydney under the name of Spyer and Co. Henry Spyer became bankrupt in July, 1865, and the news having arrived here, the estate of Spyer and Co. was sequestrated in the ensuing month of October. Salomon Spyer, a London creditor, and a relative of Messrs. Henry and Joseph Spyer, claimed to prove upon a bond for £3000. But the bond provided for nine months' notice; that is to say, it only became forfeit on failure to pay after nine months' notice in writing. No such notice had been given at the time of the sequestration. The principal question therefore was, whether or not the claim was, under these circumstances, provable. On the one hand it was contended that the condition of the bond as to notice not having been complied with, no debt had been created. On the other hand it was maintained that the amount was provable under sec. 40 of the Insolvent Act, as a contingent debt.

His HONOR dismissed the appeal. He was of opinion, as were also his learned colleagues, that the debt was capable of valuation and was provable as a contingent liability. It was ordered that proof should be allowed for the amount of this bond and interest thereon to time of insolvency. It was further ordered, however, that the proof should be expunged if it should appear that Mr. Salomon Spyer had received, or should hereafter receive, a dividend from the estate of Mr. Henry Spyer in England. The official assignee to pay the costs, but to be recouped from the assets of the estate.

The second appeal was next gone into. It was an appeal against a decision by the Chief Commissioner, refusing to admit to proof a claim for £10,000 by Mr. Jones Spyer, of London—father of the Messrs. Henry and Joseph Spyer already mentioned. This sum had, it was alleged, been advanced by Mr. Jones Spyer, to enable his two sons to join the then existing firm, L. and S. Spyer and Co., and that when this firm was subsequently dissolved on the retirement of Lawrence and Stephen Spyer, brothers of Jones Spyer, the debt was taken over by this new firm, consisting as it did of the sons of Jones Spyer. When the proof was first rejected there was appeal to the Chief Justice, and his Honor had directed the cross-examination of Mr. Jones Spyer before a Commissioner. The case now came before the Court upon the whole of the evidence—that taken before Lunden as well as that which had been before the Chief Commissioner. The question at issue was, whether the substitution of the new firm for the old one as debtors to Jones Spyer, and the release of Lawrence and Stephen Spyer, was *bona fide*, or a mere arrangement to secure a share of the assets to Jones Spyer.

Mr. Darley appeared in support of the appeal, and Mr. Stephen in support of the Chief Commissioner's decision.

The Court ordered that the proof should be admitted. Their HONORS were all of opinion that the decision of the Chief Commissioner was right upon the evidence then before him, but that upon the case, as it at present stood, the claim had been clearly established. The appeal would be sustained without costs. The deposit of £20 by the appellant to be returned, and the costs of the official assignee to be paid out of the estate.

IN EQUITY.

Before his Honor Mr. Justice HARGRAVE, Primary Judge.

JONES v. WALKER AND ROBEY.

His HONOR gave judgment in this case, dismissing the plaintiff's bill with costs.

METROPOLITAN COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

FRIDAY.

BEFORE Mr. District Judge DOWLING, Mr. W. J. Foster, prosecuting.

William Duncan and Jane Duncan stood charged for that they on the 27th of November last, at Sydney, did inflict grievous bodily harm on one Charles White. The prisoners were defended by Mr. Carroll, attorney. After hearing the evidence, Mr. Carroll addressed the jury on the part of the prisoners. The Judge summed up, and the jury without leaving the box, found the prisoners guilty. Sentence—the male prisoner, twelve months' hard labour Parramatta gaol; the female prisoner, nine months' labour Sydney gaol.

Charles Johnson, charged with embezzling the sum of threepence, the property of one John Lobb, of Sydney, whilst acting as the servant of the said John Lobb, on the 18th of November last. The prisoner was defended by Mr. Carroll, attorney. After hearing evidence, Mr. Carroll ably addressed the jury on the part of the prisoner. The Judge summed up, and the jury, without leaving the box, acquitted the prisoner.

William Welsh, found guilty yesterday, on the charge of feloniously wounding one mare was brought up for sentence this morning. Sentence, nine months' hard labour Sydney gaol.

James Craighton, Thomas Jackson, William Smith, and Robert Johnson, found guilty on the 19th instant of stealing one rug, were brought up for sentence this morning. Sentence: Prisoner Jackson, two years' Parramatta gaol; the other three prisoners were sentenced severally to three years' hard labour on the roads or other public works of the colony.

The criminal business of the sessions terminated at 1 o'clock p.m.

There were four appeals to set aside orders of the magistrates, which were disposed of.

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COURT.

FRIDAY.

BEFORE Mr. District Judge MACFARLAND.

CAS. EX. MOTIONS.

The Court was occupied during the greater part of the morning with the hearing of applications for writs of *ca. sa.*

CREASE V. LONG.

Plaintiff claimed £25 for goods sold and delivered, work and labour, and on an account stated. Plaintiff had done certain plumbing work at Tarban Creek for the defendant, who was a contractor under Government. The arrangement between the parties was that the work was to be done by day labour, although there had been a prior negotiation as to sub-letting the work under contract. The evidence for the plaintiff was that the whole of the work charged for had been performed, and that the charges were fair and reasonable. The testimony of the defendant and his witnesses went to show that the plaintiff's men had been very irregular and negligent with respect to their hours of labour, and that, consequently, the charges for wages were excessive. There was also a difference between the parties as to extras. Defendant paid £11 into Court in full satisfaction of the plaintiff's claim. His Honor assessed £18, as the amount to which the plaintiff was entitled. Mr. Rogers, instructed by Mr. Cory, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Windeyer, instructed by Mr. R. B. Smith, for the defendant.

DELOHERY V. CUNNINGHAM.

Plaintiff sued for £11 10s. commission on the sale of a public-house. The defence was, that the defendant did not instruct the plaintiff, and that the public-house was sold through the agency of another person. Verdict for the defendant. Mr. G. C. Davis, instructed by Mr. C. Davis, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Thompson for the defendant.

BIRD V. GREVILLE.

The parties in this case had been partners in a telegraphic and newspaper agency business, but dissolved partnership at the end of 1864, and in May, 1865, a settlement of accounts was arranged between them. Immediately after the dissolution, the defendant employed the plaintiff to take the management of the literary part of the business, and agreed to pay him a salary of £4 a week, together with a moiety of the receipts from reporting, leader writing, and newspaper correspondence. Plaintiff alleged that £91 8s. 6d. had been received by the defendant on account of these matters, and it was for the half of this sum that he brought the present action. He also claimed £7 19s. 7d. for money which, as was alleged, the defendant had improperly charged him, but he gave the defendant credit for £25, and the balance actually sued for was £30 8s. 10d. The defendant pleaded never indebted, payment, and set-off. The amount of the defendant's set-off was £46 17s. 1d., but of this sum £13 2s. 7d. was abandoned, it appearing that the plaintiff had accounted for sums represented by it at the settlement come to in May. One item of the plaintiff's claim was £10, set down as his share of an account for reporting two meetings; and defendant contended that the plaintiff was only entitled to charge £4 4s., as some of the work consisted of furnishing duplicate reports, which was done by a boy in the office. The amount of £7 19s. 7d. was claimed as money which the defendant had improperly charged against the plaintiff at the time of the settlement for interest on moneys advanced by the defendant for their joint benefit. The defendant's version in respect of this matter was, that the *Empire's* accounts were paid by promissory notes, and that there had been a special agreement that Bird should allow Greville five per cent. for advancing the money at the time the notes were given, it being sometimes inconvenient to Bird to wait for the money until the notes fell due. The defendant stated that the charge for discounting had only been made for about nine months, and at the remonstrance of the plaintiff, was afterwards foregone. The defendant's set-off contained items amounting to £17 14s., the moiety of debts owing to the firm by certain newspapers at the date of dissolution of partnership, but which debts had turned out to be bad. The evidence of the parties as to whether defendant could have obtained payment for these debts was contradictory. The defendant also sought to charge the plaintiff with £8 10s., his share of an advertising account with the *Empire*, which had been paid since the dissolution. Bird repudiated the charge, and he stated that the only account against the firm was one for advertising their circular, and it amounted to £10. Bird showed that this amount of £10 had been paid, and he stated that, as no business had accrued to the firm from the insertion of that advertisement during the year, he would not consent to any future advertisements in the same paper. Plaintiff also stated that the defendant undertook to pay for any future advertisements which he (defendant) might insert in the *Empire*, as he would insert them on his own responsibility alone. Greville denied that he had made any such agreement, and he said that the orders for the advertising had been given by Bird himself, who had acted incautiously in this matter. The account sent into the firm for advertising in the *Empire* was £79; but the proprietors ultimately accepted £17 as payment of it, and it was only the half of this sum that he now charged the plaintiff. Another item of the defendant's set-off was £9, the half of £18 which the plaintiff acknowledged to have received on account of the firm since the dissolution; but which he had not paid over, because the defendant, as he conceived, was indebted to him in a much larger sum, irrespective of the matters now in dispute. The only other item of the set-off which gave rise to much examination was a small sum set down as attorney's costs for preparing the deed of dissolution. The plaintiff denied that he had authorised the expenditure, and said that if had been incurred in spite of his protest; but his evidence on the point was contradicted by the testimony of the defendant and his solicitor. The deed was put in evidence, and the defendant's counsel relied on it for establishing the plaintiff's liability in respect of several items of the set-off. The deed contained a clause which provided that the whole of the property together with the liabilities of the firm at the date of the dissolution should be divided equally between the parties. His Honor was of opinion that the plaintiff was entitled to recover £22 9s. 3d., and that the amount due by him to the defendant was £38 3s. 1d., and he gave the defendant a verdict for £15 13s. 10d., the difference between the two sums. Mr. Windeyer instructed by Mr. R. B. Smith appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Butler instructed by Mr. C. Davis for the defendant.

INSOLVENCY COURT.

FRIDAY.

BEFORE the CHIEF COMMISSIONER.

In the estate of Peter O'Connell, a single meeting. One debt was proved. Insolvent was allowed his household furniture—the ratification to be considered on the 31st current. Rule 20 to be complied with on or before the 27th.

In the estate of Nathaniel Caston, a second meeting. Insolvent was examined in reference to sundry claims. Twelve debts were proved. Rules 22 and 23 to be complied with on or before February 1st. The meeting adjourned until 15th February.

In the estate of Henry Moon, a second meeting. Rules 22 and 23 have been complied with. The meeting adjourned until 15th February. The special meeting, for examination, stands postponed until 4th February.

In the estate of John W. Walters, a single meeting. No attendance.

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In the estate of Edward Porter, a second meeting. Four debts were proved. Insolvent wished to amend his schedule, and was directed to file an amended schedule on or before the 31st December, and to comply with rules 22 and 23 within twenty-eight days.

In the estate of William Huntington, a second meeting. Some debts were proved. Insolvent wished to amend his schedule, and was examined by Messrs. Garrett and Maguire for creditors. Rules 22 and 23 to be complied with within twenty-eight days.

SEQUESTRATIONS.

John Dench, of the Glebe, coachmaker. Liabilities, £187 2s. 9d., of which £120 is secured. Assets, £180 15s. 6d. Mr. Humphery, official assignee.

Leonard Evans, of Pitt-street, Sydney, butcher. Liabilities, £192 14s. 6d. Assets, £51 13s. 11d. Mr. Sempill, official assignee.

MEETINGS OF CREDITORS.

Monday, December 24.—*At Bathurst*: John Chesher, special.

Thursday, 27.—At 10: Jules Joubert and Eugene Bonner, John Muir, Walter Enever, Isaac Simmonds, James R. Kirk, first. William Douglass, Henry Griffiths, special for proof of debt. At 11: Francis W. Cook, adjourned single. Hebblewaite and Co., adjourned second. *At Tamut*: William Simpson, second. Friday, 28.—At 10: William Burgess, John H. Minehan, Robert Armstrong, special. At 11: Henry Schwartz, Jesse Carter, Alfred Lockley, Dessauer and Garbock, third. Thomas M'Mahon, John J. A. Hake, James H. Norton, single. William Audsley, Isabella M. Kelly, second. *At Maitland*: William C. Bennett, special; Henry Ward, single.

CERTIFICATE MEETINGS.

Thursday, December 27.—At 11: Samuel Matthews, Joseph Speyer.

CENTRAL POLICE COURT.

FRIDAY.

BEFORE their Worships the Police Magistrate, Messrs. Oatley, G. Hill, Thornton, Jolly, and Birrell.

Seventeen prisoners were brought before the Court. One was discharged, and two were remanded.

Eight persons were fined 5s. each for having been found drunk in the streets, and one was fined 20s. for making use of indecent words.

Ann Jane Blewitt was summarily convicted of having stolen a £1 bank note, the property of William Allen, and was sentenced to pay a penalty of 20s., or to be imprisoned seven days.

Frederick Mailer was found guilty of having deserted Bridget his wife, and was ordered to pay 10s. weekly for her separate maintenance.

Mary Williamson, Elizabeth M'Auley, and Mary Bergin were charged with having stolen from Ebenezer D. Roberts four bank notes of the value of £5 each. Prosecutor deposed that on the evening of the 18th he went to Spencer's public-house, Pitt-street, having in his pocket-book £50 in £5 bank notes; and from £10 to £20 in notes and gold loose in his pockets; a number of girls were there—among others, Williamson and M'Auley, and he believed Bergin also; he went home with Williamson; in the morning he missed four £5 notes from his pocket-book; one of the Brisbane branch of the Joint Stock Bank, No. 1650, and three of the Rockhampton branch of the same bank, Nos. 135, 595, and 739; he told Williamson of his loss, and also informed the police; he could not swear that either of the prisoners took his money. Susan, the wife of John Tighe, South Head Road, publican, deposed that on the morning of the 19th, prisoners M'Auley and Bergin, with four or five other girls, came to her house and had drinks in payment for which one of them—she thinks M'Auley—gave her a £5 note of the Rockhampton Bank, and took the change; witness afterwards gave the note to the police; the same girl asked her to change another Queensland note, which she sent for that purpose to the Commercial Bank, on South Head Road, and gave the girl the proceeds. Sergeant Cook produced the note handed to him by Mrs. Tighe; it was a Rockhampton note, No. 135. Colin Brown, manager of the Eastern Branch of the Commercial Bank, produced a Rockhampton £5 bank note, No. 595, which he received on the morning of the 19th, but cannot say from whom. The prisoners, for whom Mr. Milford appeared, were committed for trial at the Criminal Court.

Of twenty-three cases on the summons paper, one was dismissed, eight were postponed, and the other eight were struck out. Two persons were fined 2s. 6d. each for obstructing carriage ways with their vehicles, and refusing to remove when thereto required. Edward Kearney complained of John Devine that he had threatened to maim him, in consequence whereof he feared personal injury, and prayed protection. The defendant was required to enter into a recognisance with sureties to keep the peace. Lewis Barnett was fined 10s. for making use of words whereby a breach of the peace might have been occasioned. In Donohoe v. Farrell, for the recovery of a dress, a towel, and a chair, valued at 25s., illegally detained by defendant, an order was made for their delivery. Agnes Robinson was fined 40s. for having assaulted Jane Lyle.

BAW PROCEEDINGS THIS DAY.

SUPREME COURT.

LAST DAY OF TERM.—Admission of attorneys.

MOTIONS.—In re Bellisfante, certiorari; In re Mullen, certiorari; in re arbitration of Isaacs and Levy, to set aside award; Bloomfield v. Calwell, to review taxation; Rancland v. Cox, to set aside rule; ex parte Power, prohibition; Attorney-General v. Buckland, to set aside judgment.

DEMURRERS AND SPECIAL CASE.—Oriental Bank v. the Queen, Willoughby v. Quigley, Parker v. Bowman, Attorney-General v. Leipold.

SYDNEY UNIVERSITY.

AT the anniversary dinner of the Sydney University, which took place in the Great Hall, on Tuesday, the 11th instant, the following speeches were delivered and toasts proposed. About sixty members of the University and Suffragan Colleges were present. His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir John Young attended as the Visitor of the institution, and was accompanied by his aide-de-camp, Lord John Taylour.

The CHANCELLOR proposed the health of her Majesty, which was drunk with all the honours.

The CHANCELLOR then said: The next toast which I shall have the honour to propose to you may be considered the special toast of the evening—"Floreat Academia Sidneiensis." I am happy to be able to congratulate the members of the University present on the steady and persistent progress of the institution, and on its general prosperity. The number of graduates, including those that passed the recent examinations for the B.A. degree, now amount to about ninety. It gives me pleasure to state that the examiners expressed themselves well satisfied with the proficiency of the undergraduates who passed the examination for the B.A. degree, as well as for the first and second years. I cannot allow the occasion to pass without advertising to the melancholy event which has taken place since our last anniversary dinner. At that time we were anxiously looking forward to the return of our much valued and lamented friend, the late Dr. Woolley, to resume the Chair which he so long adorned; but our hopes and expectations were destined to be disappointed by the sad catastrophe which befel the unfortunate ship London. I am sure that you will all agree with me that both the institution and the colony at large have sustained an irreparable loss by this melancholy event. It is some consolation to think that his latest moments were distinguished by the same self-sacrificing principle which characterised the whole of his most useful life, for we learn that even in the extremity of the sinking ship he was sedulously employed in working, in praying, and in encouraging his fellow sufferers in the awful circumstances in which they were placed. I cannot quit this melancholy subject without expressing our heartfelt sympathy with his widow and family in the sad bereavement with which it pleased God to visit them. On receiving the sad intelligence, the Senate lost no time in adopting measures to fill up the vacant chair of Classics and Logic, and, after much deliberation, ultimately resolved to send to England for a successor to Dr. Woolley. It was thought that this important duty might best be confided to the members and ex-members of the Senate who are at present in England, and who are better acquainted with our wants and wishes as regards this appointment than any other persons can possibly be. Up to the latest period that we have received intelligence from home no definite arrangement had been concluded; but I have reason to believe, from letters which I received from Sir Charles Nicholson by the last mail, that we may not despair of securing the services of some gentleman possessing very high reputation as a classical scholar and all the other requisite qualifications for the office.

The toast was then drunk with all the honours.

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His EXCELLENCY responded as follows:—Mr. Chancellor and Gentlemen,—I acknowledge with pleasure and many thanks, the compliment which you have so warmly and so kindly paid me, and I offer in return my best wishes, and hope that the present company may each and every of you enjoy as much at many anniversary dinners in health and content, and have on every successive occasion the satisfaction of knowing that the University is flourishing, and its usefulness and influence extending under your auspices. I may, perhaps be allowed even at a festive meeting, to touch the string of sadness which the Chancellor has also touched, the more especially as I have not hitherto had the opportunity of paying a tribute to the memory of your late Principal, of stating the regard I entertained for Dr. Woolley, and of expressing the respect in which I held his cultivated mind and his unselfish disposition. His memory often recurs to me. 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Mr. Nelson: He ought to have done so, but my relative was too sharp for him. However, I have a further grievance. My friends in New South Wales are now writing to me to know why I have not replied to certain letters which I have never received; and I must conclude that before I had an opportunity of consulting with the Post Office authorities regarding the altering of my address, my relative, observing my outcry against his behaviour, has retained altogether whatever letters subsequently fell into his hands.

Mr. Vaughan said that though Mr. Nelson might be annoyed at the curiosity of his relation, yet before he could interfere something more must be shown than an endeavour to become acquainted with his affairs. Before criminal proceedings could be taken, it would be necessary to show that letters had been taken away by the relative alluded to, that they had been taken with a fraudulent intent, and that they had never reached him.

Mr. Nelson thought he could produce affidavits from Australia which would show that such letters had been forwarded.

Mr. Vaughan said that upon the proper evidence being submitted to him he should consider what could be done in the matter.

Mr. Nelson thanked the learned magistrate for his courtesy, and withdrew.

COMMERCIAL.

STOCK AND SHARE CIRCULARS.

BARTON AND MELMADO.—Although the transactions in our Share Market this month have not been large in amount, nor numerous in transfer, we note a gradual improvement in prices, so far as relates to the securities mostly dealt in, and this improvement is strengthened by recent advices from London as to the value of our securities there. The recent extensive and profitable working of our gold-fields is likely to have an important influence upon commerce and upon the shares of the public companies. Banks: New South Wales Bank shares have advanced 20s per share, and are saleable at £41 10s. Commercial Bank shares also advanced 20s per share, now £31. Joint Stock Bank and City Bank shares have suffered a decline, the former of 7s 6d, and the latter of 5s per share, now £11 12s 6d and £9 15s, respectively. New Zealand Bank shares have been again done at £16. The price in London has advanced 20s per share, now £19. In Union Bank shares nothing has been done. Steam: The price of Australasian Steam shares has fallen £3 per share—now £12. The rivalry with the Queensland Company raises; but a special general meeting of the last-named company is called for the 27th "for the purpose of considering the present position of the company." The shares have been sold by auction at Brisbane at 11s per share. Hunter River Steam shares are held for £11; and Illawarra for £3. Insurance: A large parcel of Sydney Fire Insurance shares were sold at 35s per share; but they are now improving at 36s per share. In Marine Insurance shares the only transactions have been in General at 55s; and in New South Wales at 50s per share. The John Duthie arrived from London, yesterday, and was burnt and scuttled down in the harbour this morning. The Pacific, the United, and the New South Wales offices are reported to be large sufferers by insurance of the goods, which cannot fail to have a depressing influence upon the prices of their shares. Miscellaneous: The Coal Mining interest has been for some time past unremunerating; but the various companies have now come to an agreement to advance the price of coal in per ton. The only notable effect of this at present has been in the price obtained for Waratah Coal shares, an advance of 10s per share, now £5. In Copper and Gold Mining shares we have nothing new to report; but both those interests are claiming and commanding attention from capitalists, which, ere long, may be conceded in this and the neighbouring colonies. Treasury Bills are sought after. Those of this Government to pay 8 per cent.; and those of the Government of Queensland to pay 9 per cent., per annum. Debentures are current to pay in New South Wales Government 5½ per cent. per annum; in Queensland ditto 6 per cent. ditto; City Corporation 6½ per cent. ditto; Public Companies, 8 per cent. ditto.—December 22nd.

LENNON AND CAPE.—With the exception of a slight improvement in the value of some of our bank stocks, there is hardly any variation to record in our share market during the past month. The principal investments have been in Queensland Government 10 per cent. Treasury Bills, and New Zealand Government 8 per cents.; there has been some inquiry for New South Wales 6 per cent. Treasury Bills, but they are not obtainable. Banks: New South Wales are inquired for, but only a few have been offered at £40½; and the Commercial Bank is the same remains apply, £30½, £31 and £31½ has been readily obtained; Australian Joint Stock are firm at £12, we note a sale at £11 17s 6d since last circular; City Banks have realised £9¾ and £10; But 8 New Zealands, several parcels have changed hands at £19. Steam continues neglected as to investment, the Queensland Company have suffered a further decline, and forced sales have been made at £12, but the shares are not offering at this rate. 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Mr. Nelson: He ought to have done so, but my relative was too sharp for him. However, I have a further grievance. My friends in New South Wales are now writing to me to know why I have not replied to certain letters which I have never received; and I must conclude that before I had an opportunity of consulting with the Post Office authorities regarding the altering of my address, my relative, observing my outcry against his behaviour,

PROPERTY CIRCULAR.

RICHARDSON AND WRENCH.—We can only report the market as excessively quiet, buyers showing generally a disinclination to make fresh purchases at this season of the year—consequently few properties of any importance are brought forward. Our principal demand has been for small city properties in eligible positions, larger investments not having attracted much attention

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—December 21.

City of Melbourne (s.), 615 tons, Captain Walker, from Melbourne 19th instant. Passengers—Signor and Mrs. Cutolo, Mr. and Mrs. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Reid, Miss Gregory, Miss Cohen, Miss Hewetson, Miss K. Kelley, Mrs. C. M. Poole, Dr. Wolfsohl, Dr. Hutchinson, Messrs. W. Gynne, A. Gynne, E. Miller, Mr. R. Seale, H. Curzon Allport, S. Short, Witthowski, Smith, Moss, Lynch, Elms, Piekersgill, Pavey, B. C. Aspinall, G. A. Waugh, A. W. Robertson, Mersifield, J. Conway, J. C. Stewart, D. Wilkie, B. Wardill, W. Campbell, Gibson, Phillips, Robertson, Rippon, M'Pherson, J. Coostick, J. Greaves, Louis Allen, John Reid, Macdonnell, S. P. Mann, Schott, J. B. Turner, Gilbert, H. F. Winter, Thomas J. Macdona, H. B. Harford, W. L. Stevenson, Spain, and 42 in the steerage. A. S. N. Co., agents.

Fire King (s.), Captain Hene, from the Manning River. Passengers—Miss Miller, Miss Cadder, Messrs. Mulholland, Cameron, Watson, Howe, Moore, Hume, and 10 in the steerage.

Veloce, barque, 302 tons, Captain Aillet, from Bourbon 30th October. R. Towns and Co., agents.

Nil Desperandum, barque, 340 tons, Captain Griffin, from Mauritius, via Melbourne, 16th instant. Fanning, Griffiths, and Co., agents.

Gazelle, brig, 260 tons, Captain Tucker, from Newcastle, Captain, agent.

Moa, brig, 257 tons, Captain Robinson, from the Manukau 10th instant. Passengers—Messrs. Rivey, Siedham, Moran, and 3 in the steerage. Captain, agent.

DEPARTURES.—December 21.

Bertha, for Valparaiso.
Pilot, for Melbourne.
Koerier, for Malden Island.
Mary Grant, for Wallaroo.
Queensland (s.), for Brisbane.
Agnes Irving (s.), for Grafton.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—December 22.

Harriet King, for Adelaide; Ludovico et Charles, for Valparaiso; Rangatira (s.), for Melbourne; City of Brisbane (s.), for Brisbane; Anonyma, for Valparaiso.

CLEARANCES.—December 21.

Anonyma, ship, 818 tons, Captain Cuthbertson, for Valparaiso, in ballast. Passengers—Mrs. Thornton and child, and Mr. Sinclair.

Claud Hamilton (s.), 530 tons, Captain Ponsonby, for Nelson, Hokitika, &c. Passengers—Mrs. Wynne, Miss Temperley, Rev. W. Larkin, Rev. Mr. M'Donough, Mr. H. Sampson, and 38 in the steerage.

Harriet King, schooner, 166 tons, Captain M'Donald, for Adelaide.

Queensland (s.), 287 tons, Captain C. Hamlyn, for Brisbane. Passengers—Mrs. Brennan, Miss Brennan, and servant, Miss Holmes, Miss Hill, Messrs. G. F. Bridgman, B. Brookes, jun., J. Munee, jun., and 5 in the steerage.

COASTERS INWARDS.—December 21.

Messenger, from Port Stephens, with 15,000 feet timber, 100 bags maize, 1 coop fowls, 12 bags oysters; Dauntless, Gosford Packet, from Shoalhaven, with 150 bags corn, 90 bags potatoes, 3 coops poultry, 1600 bushels maize, 6 hides, 1 ton potatoes; Albion, Nottoe, Ciara, Drover, Maria, from Newcastle, with 974 tons coal; City of Newcastle (s.), from the Hunter River, with 30 bags bone dust, 7 calves, 10 cheeses, 5 cases eggs, 3 baskets fish, 9 coops fowls, 100 bales hay, 78 hides, 184 bags maize, 108 bags onions, 34 pigs, 12 bags potatoes, 6 sheep, 1 hogshead tallow, 27 kegs tobacco.

COASTERS OUTWARDS.—December 21.

Sylvanus, for Jervis Bay; Messenger, for Port Stephens; Gosford Packet, for Shoalhaven; Jane, Ciara, Hercules, Lady Darling (s.), for Newcastle.

IMPORTS.—December 21.

City of Melbourne (s.), from Melbourne: 41 cases, J. Pope; 1 parcel, Bank of Australasia; 2 portmanteaus, Bank New South Wales; 1 box, Horning; 1 box, D. Connel; 1 case, Hall and Keme; 1 parcel, Keemers; 1 parcel, Davidson; 1 parcel, M'Gregor; 1 box, Tucker; 1 parcel, Patterson; 1 parcel, A. Hinchcliffe; 7 cases, W. H. Newson; 1 case, T. Southern; 4 cases, Whittingham, Brothers; 25 cases sarsaparilla, J. and E. Row; 200 cases kerosene oil, Stanford and Co.; 1 case, H. P. Ware; 9 cases, Belby and Scott; 21 kilderkins, 8 half-hogsheads, 1 keg, 1 parcel, Lorrimer, Marwood, and Co.; 20 casks cement, W. W. Buckland; 2 packages, T. Davidson; 1 parcel, J. Hart; 4 sheets copper, P. N. Russell and Co.; 1 wooden whim bucket, Mort and Co.; 1 parcel, Lotze; 1 wool press, R. P. Raymond and Co.; 4 bars iron, F. Lassetter and Co.; 1 parcel, J. Schmidt; 5 packages, Carlo Leoni; 1 parcel, Cook and Co.; 1 parcel, F. Lyster; 2 cases, Hy. Grutchey and Leigh; 1 case, W. Maddock; 2 parcels, A. Cubitt; 1 parcel, A. Blair; 3 bales, Thompson and Giles; 9 cases, 1 cask, A. Rose; 1 box, H. Moore; 1 parcel, Hodgson and Albery; 1 box, A. R. James; 36 bundles bags, C. B. Bond; 1 case iron, J. Keep; 1 parcel, S. Hebb ewhite; 2 cases sewing machines, J. B. Holdsworth; 1 parcel, J. Nunn; 1 springcart, Passenger; 1 parcel, J. Hill; 14 packages, Signor Cutolo; 2 cases confectionery, 10 kegs barley, 2 bags pepper, 12 boxes maizena, 7 boxes bitters, 1 quarter-cask wine, Brabant and Co.; 24 bales hemp, 41 packages tobacco, 10 cases cigars, order.

Moa, from the Manukau: 250,000 feet timber, Order.

Veloce, from Bourbon: 14,759 bags sugar, 1300 empty mats, R. Towns and Co.

Nil Desperandum, from Mauritius, via Melbourne; 3195 bags sugar, 350 bags coffee, Griffiths and Co.

EXPORTS.—December 21.

Claud Hamilton (s.), for Nelson, &c.: 8 quarter-casks brandy, 2 packages tobacco, 7 cases bacon, 13 bales hops, 2 packages, Learmonth, Dickinson, and Co.; 27 bags sugar, 15 cases preserved provisions, 50 boxes tea, 40 packages soap, 12 packages, J. Fraser and Co.; 1236 bags sugar, Colonial Sugar Company; 10 packages, Belby and Scott; 1 hogshead wine, H. Bell; 5 quarter-casks wine, Bligh, Harbottle, and Co.; 1 case cigars, 1 package, J. Powell; 7 trunks boots and shoes, E. Vickery; 1 case, 1 bale, 20 bundles wire, 5 packages, F. Lassetter and Co.; 6 crates bottles, 67 bags maize, Montefiore, Joseph, and Co.; 6 cases onions, 6 cases wine, G. Pile; 4 packages oilstores, J. Macgregor; 34 bags onions, 2 hogsheads eggs, 19 bags onions, 11 packages bacon, R. J. Hanson; 15 kegs butter, Whittington, Mother; 1 case drapery, W. Almond; 6 packages, Alderson and Sons; 3 packages, Sharwood and Co.; 1 case, A. Flack; 20 boxes soap, Cowan and Israel; 10 bags meal, 2 casks suet, W. R. Hill; 8 packages drapery, C. Newton, Brother, and Co.; 6 hogsheads eggs, G. Potts; 1 case, M. Bayley; 5 bundles forks, 14 bags onions, J. Donovan; 39 cases onions, 1 case, F. James; 2 cases fruit, W. King; 1 case, J. G. Cohen; 6 packages, Joly; 2 packages leather, Koll; 60 cases onions, 20 cases fruit, W. A. Clarke; 23 building stones, W. W. Buckland; 50 barrels flour, H. H. Beauchamp; 12 packages, P. N. Z. Co.; 1 case, S. Fuller; 1 case, A. M. P. Society; 10 packages, Elliott, Brothers; 3 cases, J. Sandes; 6 hogsheads eggs, 6 cases fruit, 20 bags 10 cases onions, 50 bags potatoes, 14 kegs butter, C. B. Bond; 23 packages, M. Moss and Co.; 2 cases, S. Hoffnung and Co.; 40 bags, 41 cases onions, 1 case, A. S. N. Co.; 4 cases billiard table, 1 case lamps, 30 boxes onions, 6 kegs butter, 5 packages, S. Loy; 9 cases fruit, Mulligan; 6 packages, O'Neill; 38 cases fruit, M. A. Clarke; 1 case, Gould; 1 package, G. B. Ebsworth.

Harriet King, for Adelaide: 200 boxes soap, Learmonth, Dickinson, and Co.; 48 bundles bags, Scott, Henderson, and Co.; 95 logs cedar, W. Wright; 60 kegs butter, R. J. Hardy; 1850 spokes, Captain M'Donald.

SHIPS' MAILS.

Mails will close at the General Post Office, as follows:—

For Valparaiso.—By the Albert William and Anonyma, this day, at noon.

For Hokitika.—By the F. S. White, this day, at noon.

For Wellington and Port Cooper.—By the Wild Wave, this day, at noon.

For Melbourne.—By the Rangatira (s), this day, at 4 p.m.

For Brisbane.—By the City of Brisbane (s), this day, at 4 p.m.

MAILS PER GEELONG, VIA SUEZ.

The Royal Mail Steamship GEELONG will be dispatched with the usual mails on MONDAY, the 24th instant.

The times appointed for closing are:—

For registered letters at 3.30 p.m. on SATURDAY, the 22nd instant, with the exception of those addressed to the United Kingdom, which may be registered between the hours of 9 and 10 a.m. on the 24th instant.

For ordinary letters not addressed to the United Kingdom, 10 a.m. 24th.

For ordinary letters addressed to the United Kingdom, and Galle, 11 a.m. 24th.

For newspapers not addressed to the United Kingdom, 8 a.m. 24th.

For newspapers addressed to the United Kingdom, 10 a.m. 24th.

All letters and newspapers posted in the Sydney iron receivers must be so posted before 7 a.m. on 24th instant.

Late letters, addressed to places other than the United Kingdom and Galle, may be posted at the General Post Office up to 11 a.m. on the 24th; and late letters, addressed to the United Kingdom, via Marseilles, at the General Post Office and Moore's Wharf, up to 1 p.m. Such letters, however, must bear an extra sixpenny stamp, as a late fee, in addition to the ordinary postage, otherwise they will not be forwarded.

For any further information the public are referred to the Postal Guide, which is published monthly.

JOSEPH [illegible]CKER, Postmaster-General.

General Post Office, 21st December, 1866.

Custom House.—Entered Outwards: December 21, Spirit of the Seas, barque, 491 tons, Captain Macguire, for Honkong; Rangatira (s.), 466 tons, Captain Grainger, for Melbourne.

A telegram in the Melbourne *Argus* from Queenscliff, dated 19th December, states that "The steamer Barwon has been got head on to the sea, and she is afloat forward, so that there is every reason to expect that with the next tide she will be got off."

Death of Lieutenant Arnold, R.N.R.—The members of the mercantile marine will regret to learn that Lieutenant W. M. Arnold, R.N.R., died suddenly on the 13th October, at his residence, Birkenhead. Lieutenant Arnold was widely known, and no man was more respected. His frank and manly character, and mild and gentle disposition, gained him friends on all sides. Lieutenant Arnold was many years engaged in the Australian trade, and commanded the celebrated clipper Marco Polo, and was also in the service of R. Towns and Co. for a considerable time, in the Rover's Bride and other vessels. He was recently appointed to the command of the new clipper ship British Consul. Captain Arnold was buried on the 15th October, in the Birkenhead Cemetery, the officers and men of the R.N.R. in the vicinity, under the command of Captain Fisher, of H.M.S. Eagle, attending, to pay the last tribute of respect to a departed comrade. Captain Arnold, during the period of his connection with the colonies, was held in high estimation, and his death will be much regretted by all who knew him.

The City of Melbourne (s.) left Melbourne at 3.15 p.m. on Wednesday, cleared the Heads at 6.45 p.m., and passed Cape Schanck at 8.30 p.m.; rounded Wilson's Promontory at 5 a.m. on Thursday, and passed Gabo Island at 8.45 p.m same day; passed Montague Island at 3 a.m. on Friday, Cape St. George at 10.20 a.m, entered Sydney Heads at 6 p.m., and arrived at Sydney Wharf at 6.45. Experienced moderate and favourable winds with pleasant weather throughout the passage. Sighted the steamer Wonga Wonga at 9.30 a.m. on Thursday fifty miles N.E. of Wilson's Promontory.

The brig Moa arrived yesterday from Manukau, having made the run in ten days. She had light variable weather up to the 19th instant, since then strong southerly winds. The Moa is a very old trader between this port and New Zealand. She will again be laid on for Auckland, under the command of Captain A. Robinson, formerly of the Rita.

The Gazelle has been compelled to put into port through the prevalence of the southerly wind. She left Newcastle on the 15th instant, for Wellington, with a cargo of 300 tons of coal, but has had to bear up.

The Nil Desperandum, from Mauritius, called at Melbourne for orders. She brings the whole of her original cargo.

NEWCASTLE.

ARRIVALS.

December 21.—Sussex, barque, 332 tons, Gregory, from Geelong.

DEPARTURES.

December 20.—Chili, barque, Mills, for Valparaiso, with 452 tons coals.

December 20.—Rose of Australia, brig, O'Hogan, for Adelaide, with 435 tons coals.

December 20.—Alcandra, schooner, Dyson, for Melbourne, with 300 tons coals.

December 20.—Yarra, schooner, Finlayson, for Melbourne, with 300 tons coals.

December 20.—Catherine Jane, barque, Boyd, for Melbourne, with 350 tons coals.

COASTERS INWARDS.

December 20.—Catherine Lord, Brilliant, Colonist, Nancy, Clotus, Scotia, Prompt, and Jessie, from Sydney.

Wreck of the Barque Nautilus at Newcastle.—On Thursday evening, shortly after 8 o'clock, a bluelight was observed burning on the Signal Hill, which was immediately followed by a rocket from the lighthouse, it being evident that some vessel was in distress. The Naval Brigade men, many of whom belong to the Harbour Department, were in the barracks at the time, and on observing the signal, at once made for the lifeboat house, where, in a short time, the lifeboat was got out and at once proceeded outside. On arriving opposite Nobby's, a large vessel, which proved to be the Nautilus, barque, from Sydney, in ballast, was found to be ashore on the rocks known as Big Ben, under Nobby's. The sea was breaking rather heavily, and it was with some difficulty the lifeboat could get near the vessel by means of lines. Part of the crew were safely got into the boat, the others came ashore in their own boat. Captain Delandelles states he left Sydney at 11 o'clock a.m. on Thursday, and at 2 p.m. she was off Cape Three Points with a strong southerly wind; at 6 off Red Head steering for Nobby's. Barque rounded Big Ben, helm hard-a-weather, and kept on for ten minutes; would not pay off; reduced after sails, furled the mainsail and clewed down the main-topsail and top-gallantsail; still the barque would not pay off. A sea struck her on the quarter, and she broached too, and went ashore on the inner reef, where she will probably become a total wreck. She is now full of water, and is insured in the Pacific Office for £1500. Messrs. Broomfield and Whitaker are her owners.

MELBOURNE.
ARRIVALS.

December 15.—Planter No. 1, from Newcastle.
December 17.—Escort, Sarah Ann, Rialto, Sydney Griffiths, from Newcastle; Schoolboy, from the Richmond; Dragon, from Grafton.
December 18.—Blackbird (s.), from Sydney; Frederick, Our Hope, Esperanza, Kathleen, Ann and Jane, from Newcastle.

DEPARTURES.

December 15.—Prince Patrick, for Newcastle.
December 17.—Highlander, for Newcastle; Gordon, for Sydney.

CLEARED OUT.

December 15.—Francis, 329, Parnell, for Sydney.

ADELAIDE.
ARRIVALS.

December 17.—St. Magnus, from Newcastle.
December 17.—Sarah, from Newcastle.

DEPARTURES.

December 16.—St. Leonards, for London.
December 18.—Edinburgh, for Newcastle.

CUSTOMS IMPORT ENTRIES.—December 21.

1 case slops, A. S. Webster.
25 cases candles, 15 cases jujubes, 35 cases castor oil, J. J. Curran.
10 packages drapery, C. Newton, Brother, and Co.
2 cases leather, 1 case webbing, 104 cases boots, Saddington and Sons.
1 box type, F. Macnab and Co.
1947 bags rice, Montefiore, Joseph, and Co.
200 cases brandy, 340 boxes candles, Bligh, Harbottle, and Co.
3 cases pianos, J. H. Anderson and Son.
1 case violet powder, 2 cases apothecaries' ware, 1 cask sulphur, W. Lipscomb.
39 cases drapery, W. and S. Gardiner.
14 casks pavement goods, T. Edens.
1 bin 60 casks snail, R. and F. Tooth and Co.
9 packages machinery, G. Fish.
272 arm moulds, 6 bars iron, 1 bag fittings, 8 casks blacking, 6 bundles shovels, 3 cases coffin furniture, 4 bales waste, 1 case black lead, 2 hogsheads pans, 2 casks tools, 6 packages handles, 3 casks hinges, 1 cask files, 2 cases scales, J. Keep.
50,000 slates, 10 kegs nails, M'Ilwraith and Co.
1 coil rope, P. N. Russell and Co.
4 packages rope, Mitchell and Co.
26 cases stationery, J. F. Ives.
2 packages drapery, Dalton, Brothers.

[By Electric Telegraph.]
MELBOURNE.
ARRIVALS.

December 20.—Lincolnshire, Swiftsure, from London; Charlie Palmer, from Calcutta; Donald M'Kay, from Liverpool; Alexandra (s.), from Adelaide; Wonga Wonga (s.), from Sydney.

December 21.—Tararua (s.), from New Zealand; Krimpenwaard, from Batavia.

SYDNEY HEADS.

	TIME	WINDS.	REMARKS.
Dec. 21.	8.30 a.m.	South.	Fresh, and clear
	Noon.	South.	Strong, and ditto
	3 p.m.	South.	Fresh, and ditto.

WINDS AND WEATHER.
December 21.

	9 a.m.		Bar.	Ther.	3 p.m.			
Queensland.								
Rowen	Calm.	Fine			No report			
Nobo	Calm.	Fine			No report			
Waverley	Calm.	Showery			No report			
Rockhampton	Calm.	Fine			No report			
Hawkwood	Calm.	Cloudy			No report			
Maryborough	Calm.	Fine			No report			
Gayndah	W.	Cloudy			No report			
Brisbane	S.	Cloudy	29·846	73·1	No report			
Toowoomba	NW.	Dull			No report			
Port Mackay	S.	Fine			No report			
N. S. Wales.								
Tenterfield	NW.	Cloudy			SE.	Showery		
Grafton	SE.	Drizzling, rain	29·93	79	S., fresh	Cloudy		
Glen Innes	NW.	Fine			NW.	Cloudy		
Armidale	SE.	Like rain	26·725	69	E.	Fine, cloudy		
Tamworth	SE.	Cldy., fine			SW.	Cloudy		
Murrurundi	Calm.	Fine			SE.	Cloudy		
Singleton	SE.	Cloudy			SE.	Cloudy		
Maitland	SE.	Cloudy			W.	Fine		
Newcastle	S.	Dull	30·010	67	S.S.	Fine		
Windsor	W.	Fine			No report			
Sydney	SSW.	Fine			S.	Fine, warm		
South Head	S.	Fine			S.	Fine, warm		
Wollongong	S., moderate.	Fine			S., moderate.	Fine		
Kiama	S., l.	Fine			S., moderate.	Fine		
Bathurst	W.	Fine			SSE.	Fine		
Mudgee	Calm.	Fine			W.	Fine		
Cassilis	Calm.	Cloudy			W.	Fine		
Wellington	SE.	Fine			SW.	Fine		
Dubbo	Calm.	Fine			SW.	Fine		
Orange	Calm.	Fine			Calm.	Fine		
Forbes	Calm.	Fine, warm.			Calm.	Fine, sultry		
Young	Calm.	Fine			Calm.	Fine, hot		
Wagga Wagga	Calm.	Fine			Calm.	Fine		
Urana	SE.	Fine			Calm.	Fine		
Deniliquin	S.	Fine, cool	29·836	66	S.	Fine, clear		
Hay	SW.	Fine			SW.	Calm, fine		
Moulamein	Calm.	Fine, cool			WNW.	Fine		
Balranald	SSE.	Fine, cool			SE.	Fine, hot		
Euston	No report				No report			
Wentworth	No report				No report			
Goulburn	SE.	Clear, cold			ENE.	Fine		
Braidwood	Calm.	Fine			SE.	Fine		
Araluen	S.	Fine			SE.	Fine		
Queanbeyan	Calm.	Fine, clear			SSE.	Fine		
Cooma	SSE.	Dull, cloudy			Calm.	fine, hot, clr.		
Yass	S.	Fine			Calm.	Fine		
Gundagai	Calm.	Fine			W.	Fine		
Tumut	Calm.	Fine			Calm.	Fine		
Kiandra	SE.	Fine, clear			SE.	Cldy., like rain		
Albury	SW.	Fine, cool	29·604	66	Calm.	Fine		
Victoria.								
Melbourne	SSW.	Light, fine	30·208	64·8	No report			
Queenscliff	S.	Fresh, fine	30·23	62	No report			
Cape Schanck	S., fresh.	Showery	29·92	59	No report			
Cape Otway	S.	Moderate. Fine	30·		No report			
Portland	SE., fresh.	Cloudy	30·310	63	No report			
S. Australia.								
Guichen Bay	S., fresh.	Fine	30·332	61	No report			
Adelaide	ESE., light.	Fine	30·80	67	No report			

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY, SYDNEY.

Latitude 33° 51′ 41″. Longitude 10h. 4m. 48s.
Magnetic Variation 10° 1′ 30″ East. 1866.

The time ball is dropped daily (Sundays excepted), at 1h. p.m. Sydney mean time, or 3h. 56m. 14s. a.m., Greenwich mean time.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

Barometers corrected to 32° Fahr., and Mean Sea Level. Force of Wind, estimated in lbs. per square foot. Velocity of Wind, estimated in miles per hour. Rainfall and evaporation, measured in inches, per square foot.

Scales of { Humidity, 0 to 100. Cloudy sky, 0 to 10. Ozone, 0 to 10.

December 20th, 1866. Civil Reckoning.

Hour.	Barometer.	Temperature in shade.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Force.	Velocity.	Cloudy sky.	Rain.	Ozone.
A.M. 9	29·948	73·0	60	SWbyW	0·1	4	0	0	4·5
P.M. 3	·809	69·1	68	S.	4·3	39	9		
" 9	·863	63·8	67	SSE.	1·3	16	10		3·0
Mean ...	29·940	68·6	68·0		1·9	16	6·3		3·

Evaporation, 24 hours ..... 0·376.

SELF-REGISTERING THERMOMETERS.

Shade { Maximum..... 76·0 Sun—maximum ..... 118·6
Minimum..... 59·7 Grass—minimum ..... 52·7

Remarks.—Total rainfall from January 1st to this date=36·9 inches. Annual average of the preceding seven years=51·8 inches.

COMPARISON OF STATIONS.
December 21st, 1866. Civil Reckoning.

Stations.	Height in feet above mean sea level.	At 9 A.M. Barometer	Temperature in shade.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Force.	Cloudy sky.	For 24 hour previous to 9 a.m. Max. in shade.	Minimum in shade.	Rain.
Sydney	155	30·064	65·4	58	SSW.	1·0	2	76·0	59·3	
Grafton*		29·795	79·0	44	S.E.	2·3	10	88·0	70·0	0
Newcastle	132	30·064	65·6	64	S.	4·0	5	75·2	63·3	
South Head	267	30·111	67·9	44	S.	1·0	7	75·0	58·4	
Kiandra	4646	30·094	47·4	74	SE.	·9	9	72·5	32·8	
Deniliquin	416	30·150	64·0	51	S.	1·0	3	79·1		

* Grafton barometer is corrected to 32° Fah., but not to mean sea level.

Astronomical Memoranda for December 22nd.

Object.	R. Ascension	Declination.	Rises.	Sets.
	h. m.	° ′	h. m.	h. m.
Sun	18.0	23 27 S.	4.51	7.4
Moon	6.14	18 26 N.	7.35 p.m.	4.49 a.m.
Mercury	16.30	19·11 S.	3.36 a.m.	5·21 p.m.
Venus	16.52	19·26 S.	3.56 a.m.	5.46 p.m.
Mars	8.1	24·9 N.	0.8 p.m.	6.51 a.m.
Jupiter	20.27	19·45 S.	7.31 a.m.	9.21 p.m.
Saturn	13.13	13·44 S.	2.30 a.m.	3.54 p.m.

Moon's age, 14·8 days. Full, 6h. 38.8 a.m.

High water at Fort Denison ... a.m. 8h. 23m., p.m. 8h. 45m.

George R. Smalley, Government Astronomer.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

MESSRS. MARTYN AND CO.—At the Bazaar, at 11 o'clock, Horses, Cow, Vehicles, Harness, Saddlery, &c.; at 12 o'clock, the Gate, Grand Stand, Booths, and Fruit Stalls, at Randwick Racecourse.

MR. WOOLLER.—At his Bazaar, at 11 o'clock, Horses, Waggon, Drays, Spring-carts, Buggies, Harness, &c.

MR. THOMSON.—At his Yards, at half-past 11 o'clock, Fat Wedders.

MESSRS. LISTER AND BARNETT.—On the Premises, Paddington, at 11 o'clock, Groceries, Furniture, Smallwares, Pony, Cart, &c.

MESSRS. A. MOORE AND CO.—At the Labour Bazaar, at 11 o'clock, Musical Instruments, &c.

MESSRS. BRADLEY, NEWTON, AND LAMB.—At their Rooms, George-street, at half-past 10 o'clock, Canaries; at 11 o'clock, Champagne, Wines, Curaçoa, &c.

MR. BOWDEN.—At Cowper Wharf, at 2 o'clock, Boats, &c.

MESSRS. CHANDLER AND CO.—At their Rooms, at 11 o'clock, Household Furniture and Sundries.

In consequence of a press of matter, we are compelled to omit our report of the proceedings in the Legislative Assembly, and other local intelligence.

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The Sydney Morning Herald.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1866.

In the Legislative Council, yesterday,

Mr. Docker moved, without notice, that the House, at its rising, adjourn until noon, this day—when the Governor will come down to prorogue Parliament in person.

A message was received from the Assembly accepting the amendments which the Council had insisted upon with the exception of one amendment in the 9th clause as to the establishment of future Denominational schools.

Mr. Docker moved the House into committee, and after some opposition by Mr. J. Campbell and Mr. Plunkett, who were defeated by a majority of 17, the House went into committee.

Mr. Docker moved that the Council do not insist upon its amendments, briefly commenting upon the history of the bill and the concessions which had been made by the Assembly, and the conciliatory spirit in which they had been made.

Mr. Deas Thomson intimated his intention no longer to continue his opposition to the views of the Assembly, admitting to the fullest extent the importance of the concessions which had been made by the Legislative Assembly, and the proper spirit in which the Assembly had met the Council. He still expressed his regret that the amendments with respect to non-vested schools had not been agreed to.

Sir. W. Manning, in giving his concurrence to the bill, as now before them, congratulated the House on the manner in which the differences had been adjusted, and argued that the non-vested schools were placed in a better position than before, as now they would be entitled to be fully maintained by the public.

Mr. Gordon and Mr. Russell both supported the views taken by the Assembly.

Mr. J. Campbell opposed the bill, as having for its objects the destruction of the influence of the clergy in the matter of education, and the concentration of power in the hands of the Government.

Mr. Plunkett also spoke in opposition to the bill, briefly recapitulating the objections he had taken on former occasions.

Mr. Docker's motion was carried, and a message sent to the Assembly to the effect that the Council no longer insisted upon its amendment.

A bill to authorise the Municipal Council of Sydney to borrow money for the improvement of the Sydney Common, was brought up from the Assembly and passed through all its stages, and returned without amendment.

The Scots' Church Allotment Bill was read a third time and passed after some opposition from Mr. Mitchell, who divided the House. There were nine for the third reading, and Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Cox against it. The bill was returned to the Assembly without amendment.

The Council adjourned until noon this day.

In the Legislative Assembly, yesterday,

In reply to questions put to Ministers, the following information was elicited: that, in consideration of Mr. Woods running omnibuses of a superior class and at the same fare as was now charged by the tramway, the stables at the Railway Station was leased to him at £30 a-year, that no premium was given for the right of running these omnibuses, and that no exclusive privilege of running omnibuses was conferred; that alterations were about to be made in the lunatic asylums at Tarban Creek and Parramatta, for the purpose of affording increased accommodation to patients, and that new regulations were about to be issued with regard to the admission of patients, but that no permanent improvement could be effected without legislation; that wool was carried by rail from Maitland to Newcastle at 1s. 6d. per bale; that there was no means of ascertaining how many bales were conveyed on each truck, and the cost of running such truck; that no circular had been sent from the Law Department to the magistracy instructing them to commit prisoners charged with offences to any Court other than the next sitting Court having competent jurisdiction; but that it was under consideration the propriety of sending a circular to the Benches of magistrates, with instructions for their guidance in committing prisoners to the Courts of Quarter Sessions or to the Supreme Court.

The Sydney Common Improvement Bill was read a third time and passed.

Several motions for the printing of petitions were agreed to as formal motions.

Mr. Martin moved that the House at its rising do adjourn until Saturday at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Macpherson objected to the motion being taken before the Orders of the Day.

Mr. Forster also objected to the motion, on the ground that the House had no other guide than its sessional orders.

The Speaker ruled that there was no rule expressly in point, and therefore the House was bound by the practice of the House of Commons, which permitted motions of this description to be made at any stage of the proceedings.

After some further discussion, in which Mr. Forster disputed the ruling of the Speaker, the Speaker adhered to his ruling, and gave reasons for his decision.

An amendment, moved by Mr. Parkes, that the House at its rising do adjourn until Saturday, at 11 o'clock, was agreed to.

Mr. Hart put a question, without notice, as to a proceeding by the Shoalhaven Bench in fining a man £5 for an indecent assault on a girl of ten years of age.

Mr. Martin said that his attention had been drawn to the case, and he had directed the Inspector-general of Police to prosecute.

Mr. Brown moved the second reading of the Arbitration Facilitation Bill, and briefly explained the objects of the measure.

Mr. Martin said that the bill was not particularly well drawn, and that the matter might very well lay over for another session.

Mr. Robertson and Mr. Lee opposed the bill, and the latter hon. member moved that it be read a second time that day six months.

Mr. Hart also opposed the bill.

Mr. Josephson considered that the bill should not be proceeded with on the last day of the session.

After some further discussion,

The amendment was negatived by 25 to 10, and the bill was read a second time on a division of 25 to 9.

On the motion that the Speaker leave the chair, in order that the House go into committee on the bill,

Mr. Robertson moved as an amendment that the bill be referred to a select committee.

After a long discussion,

The motion was negatived by 18 to 9.

Mr. Hart moved that this House do now adjourn.

After a very long discussion the motion was negatived by 23 to 3.

Mr. Brown said that he saw the hopelessness of attempting to pass the bill this session, and he would, therefore, ask leave to withdraw it. The bill was then by leave withdrawn.

The Speaker announced a message from the Legislative Council, intimating that that House no longer persisted in its adherence to its only remaining amendment in the Public Schools Bill as to which there was a difference between the two Houses. The announcement was received with demonstrations of applause.

Messages were received from the Legislative Council returning the Sydney Common Improvement Bill, and the Exchange of Land Scots Church Sydney Legalising Bill, without amendment.

The House having gone into Committee,

Mr. Robertson moved that this House, having considered the correspondence and documents relative to the claim of Mrs. Elizabeth Halcrow, for compensation for injury inflicted to land at Shoalhaven, purchased by her late husband, Hugh Halcrow, from the Crown, is of opinion that her claim should receive the favourable consideration of the Government.

Mr. Wilson said that this was a case in which the Minister ought not to take action unless set in motion by this House. He should not oppose the motion.

The resolution was agreed to.

The Matrimonial Causes Bill was discharged.

The House having gone into committee,

Mr. Morris moved that, "Having taken the petition of James Gibson into consideration, this House is of opinion that the prayer thereof should be complied with, and recommends it to the favourable and early attention of the Executive."

Mr. Parkes opposed the motion, on the ground that the claim was not made out.

After considerable discussion,

The motion was carried by 12 to 8.

The House having gone into committee,

Mr. Robertson moved that an address be presented to the Governor, praying that his Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1866, for the widow of the late Sir Francis Forbes, Knight, the first Chief Justice of this colony, a sum of money not exceeding the sum of £2063, towards equalising the sum received by that very eminent Judge by way of pension, with the sum which, according to the present rate of judicial pensions, he would have been entitled to receive, and in recognition of his valuable services to this country.

The resolution was agreed to.

The House adjourned at twenty minutes past 9 until 11 o'clock this day, it being intimated that his Excellency the Governor would attend at noon to prorogue the Parliament.

If it be true that the colony is depressed, it is also certain that it is "suffering a recovery." No one is alarmed at the prospects of a patient whose nausea and lassitude are attributable to excess and intemperance. It may be that the lessons of the morning will prevent the repetition of the errors of the night. We shall next year, probably, be all more self-controlled, more industrious, and more happy. An article in the *Times* just arrived comments on our condition, and refers to the "tightness" of our monetary system. We have partly extricated ourselves from this embarrassment. We see no signs of permanent difficulty. When people run wild they have to pay the penalty of their credulity and incaution, but in this there is nothing peculiar to the colony. We imagine that the comparative derangement has been less in Sydney than in London; certainly we have had less panic, fewer bills dishonoured, and less numerous failures. The paper under discount for transactions well founded has not much decreased, and the banks have no longer occasion to repel their customers.

The relief of the London money market, and the opportunity to raise loans for reproductive works, is in every respect a boon. It leaves our commercial capital on the spot for its proper uses, gives new employment for labour, and opens up the country. We have no reason to fear a public debt if incurred fairly for such purposes. Even our railroads, made as they have been without a proper regard to economy, certainly repay the people as a whole quite as much as the annual loss of interest. We have constantly recommended that some system of liquidation should be formally adopted, beyond the control of the passions of the Ministers of the day. When this provision shall be fully and honestly made we may hope to see an extension of our railway system, and the improvement of our internal communications. The colony may bear much weight if it be laid on with discretion, and the English capitalist may find more satisfaction in his investment here than in those thousand and one speculations at home by which so many are intoxicated and ruined. The colony, in the public land, has a great and growing revenue. An improved temper in the people will lead to a rational treatment of the past

THE SYDNEY MONTHLY OVERLAND MAIL.

BY THE MAIL STEAMER GEELONG.

FROM 23RD NOVEMBER TO 21ST DECEMBER.

Friday, 23rd to 30th November.

THE Government have accepted the result of the important division in the Legislative Assembly, as indicative of a desire of that House that the proposal to reduce official salaries by one-twelfth should not be carried out. The Estimates are now being passed without that reduction.

There was another public meeting in Newtown on the 22nd instant, in opposition to the Camperdown and Randwick Cemetery Bill.

On the afternoon of the 22nd instant it was resolved by the City Corporation, at a special meeting, that fresh tenders should be called for in reference to the new water dams at Lachlan and Botany, the contractor (Mr. Watson) not having commenced the proposed works.

The annual examination of the Newtown Nonvested National School took place last week. It shewed the school to be in an efficient state.

The Rev. William Ridley, Presbyterian minister, has compiled and published a grammar of three languages spoken by Australian blacks. The book (which is beautifully got up) is to be transmitted to the Paris Exhibition.

A shepherd, whose name has not been ascertained, died suddenly at the Big Springs, near Wagga Wagga, of water on the chest, a few days since. There is reason to believe that the poor man had been well educated.

A large public meeting was held at the Prince of Wales Theatre last Monday night, with a view to extending the half-holiday system more widely amongst the drapers of Sydney, and retail traders generally. His Honor the Chief Justice presided. About 3000 persons were present.

Gold has been found in the streets of Yass. A very pretty nugget of gold, weighing over a quarter of an ounce, was last Monday week picked out of the gravel in front of the *Courier* Book Mart. The gravel was carted from the pit at the north side of the Yass River, and most likely gold may be found there.

The *Express* newspaper states that at Wagga Wagga the district has recently been visited by a plague of caterpillars, which have done much damage to the gardens and crops.

Active preparations are being made for snagging the Murrumbidgee between Gundagai and Wagga Wagga. — The *Albury Banner* of the 21st instant mentions that the navigation of the Murray, so far as Albury is concerned, is now closed for the season. The water has fallen considerably of late, and there is no more snow to come down and no more heavy rain to be expected.—As regards the Darling, the *Bendigoan Chronicle* says:—Latest advices from Mount Murchison report that this river is fordable at that place, and that five steamers were aground between there and Menindie, owing to the inadequacy of the water.

The decomposed remains of some unfortunate man were recently found in the bush, at Cuddie Creek, near Nandera, a few days since.

It has been proposed to convert the Newcastle Barracks into a Lunatic Asylum, but the residents are unfavourable to the proposition.

Mr W. Hill, of Parramatta, died from the effects of a fall from his horse last Tuesday week.

The aboriginal called Spider, who was sentenced to death at the last Bathurst Assizes for rape, was executed last Monday morning inside the gaol. He was calm and firm in demeanour, and his death was instantaneous.

Two men, named Moran and James Smith, who have been sticking up in the vicinity of Hartley during the last fortnight, were apprehended last Saturday night at the Blue Mountain Inn, by constable Brown.

By the steamer City of Brisbane, which came into Port Jackson from Brisbane last Monday morning, have arrived Lady Bowen, and Miss Bowen. Her Ladyship has been necessitated to seek a change of climate in consequence of ill health.

A young woman of the name (it is believed) of Josephine Reeves died in the Sydney Infirmary, from the effect of exposure and neglect, on the 23rd instant.

Fresh outrages are reported to have been committed by Clark's gang near Braidwood.

The "bunyip" is reported to have been seen in the Murrumbidgee near Cavan's Crossing Place, by Messrs. R. Davis and M'Jennett. Mr. Davis, who was the first to see it, describes it as being much larger than a young calf, with a great bushy head, thick lips, and ears longer than any blood-hound; its body was round and smooth, and about eighteen inches broad. It first made its appearance above water at a distance of not more than forty yards from where they had made their camp for the night previous and swam to the opposite bank, getting out on a sand bank in the midst of weeds and young oak trees, which only prevented the awe-struck spectators from crossing the river and making an attempt to effect his capture.

There is a movement amongst some parties to organise an opposition to the passing of the Municipalities Bill. A preliminary meeting was held with that object, at the Temperance Hall, last Tuesday night.

A neat cloth volume of nearly 400 pages 8vo., containing the principal essays read at the meetings of the New South Wales Philosophical Society, from the year 1862 to the end of 1865, has just been published by Messrs. Reading and Wellbank.

Mr. Stanley gave a musical entertainment in St. Barnabas' Schoolroom, on Tuesday evening last.

Two prisoners, named John Southgate and Lawrence Cummings, escaped through the main sewer of Berrima gaol, last Tuesday morning. It appears that they had to pass through about one hundred and twenty yards of the sewer which leads to the river, and is stopped at the mouth.

The fourth anniversary of the Young Men's Presbyterian Institute was celebrated last Tuesday evening, by a public soirée held in the Temperance Hall. After the tea, a public meeting was held. The Rev. Dr. Steel, president, in addressing the meeting, spoke of the good results likely to accrue to young men from the establishment of mutual improvement societies, and suggested that an amalgamation of the various societies in connexion with Presbyterian churches in the city should be made.

The reports of the Weddin Gold-fields (a locality formerly notorious as the retired haunt of bushrangers) continue to be of a most encouraging character.

Friday, 30th November to 7th December.

A fire broke out at the Sydney Railway Station at about 9 p.m. on Thursday, the 29th ultime. It was soon got under by the firemen.

A few days since, a man came down by coach to Goulburn from Young, to be forwarded to the Lunatic Asylum. His reason, strange to say, had been shaken in consequence of striking a payable claim at the Weddin Mountain rush.

Myriads of caterpillars have made their unwelcome appearance in the neighbourhood of Albury, and are doing much injury to the vines.

The Rev. Mr. Thackeray's schoolhouse (St. Ethels, West Maitland) was burned on the evening of the 26th ultimo.

The Sydney Harmonic Society (in which has been merged the Tonic Sol Fa Association) gave an opening concert, at the Masonic Hall, on the evening of the 29th of November.

His Excellency the Governor honoured the Balmain Amateur Dramatic Association by his presence at their entertainments, on behalf of the Balmain School of Arts in the hall of that institution. The entertainment took place last Wednesday week.

On the night of the 28th ultimo, several thousands of spectators were present in the Domain, to witness a pyrotechnical display got up by Mr. Scott.

The annual meeting of the Surry Hills branch of the Australasian Wesleyan Missionary Society was held in the Bourke-street church, on Wednesday evening, the 28th of November.

The third half-yearly meeting of the Balmain Working Men's Institute, was held at the society's room, on Thursday, the 29th of November.

A man, named Archibald Colquhoun, unhappily fell into a tank of boiling water, at Fish Water Creek, on the 12th November, and was so severely scalded that he died on the 24th of the same month.

Letters from Bourke to the 26th ultimo state that they had been twenty-four hours' heavy rain, which had a most beneficial effect. It was heaviest on the Darling. The creeks near Culgoa rose four feet in a night.

A man, named Woods, committed suicide at Canobar, on the 22nd of November, by cutting his throat.

An infant child, named S. A. G. Paterson, residing in Sussex-street, was unfortunately overlain by its mother, on the 30th ultimo.

The body of a man, named George Wood, a sailor, was found drowned in the harbour last Sunday morning.

A match made by Mat. Higgins, the celebrated pedestrian, to run against time—five and a quarter miles in half an hour—came off on Saturday last, at the Albert Ground. He ran the distance in one minute and 40 seconds over the time. Having thus lost the match, attributable probably to the state of the weather, a subscription was got up in his favour.

A few days since, Nathaniel Bagwell, a young man about 21 years of age, residing on the Caledonian Road, near Lachlan, committed suicide by hanging himself to a beam in his dwelling-house.

A meeting of commissioned officers of the Volunteer force was held last Monday afternoon, at the Brigade Office, at which it was proposed to have a mess dinner after the Annual Inspection, on the 15th, and to invite the officers of H.M. 50th Regiment. A committee was appointed to carry out the proposal.

Maher, alias Murray, convicted at the last Bathurst Assizes of murder, was executed within the gaol last Monday morning;—death was instantaneous.

On the occasion of the inauguration of the statue to the memory of the late Prince Consort several excellent photographic views representing the ceremony were taken by Mr. W. Bradley and transmitted to England for presentation to the Queen. Her Majesty accepted the photographs, and has caused her thanks to be conveyed to the photographer.

Sarah Pettley, a girl four years of age, whose parents reside on the Botany Road, was, on the 3rd instant, playing about in a yard adjoining her father's residence, when she had the misfortune to fall down a well, and was drowned before assistance could be rendered.

The Aldermen elected at the recent municipal elections are Mr. Smail, Mr. Renny, Mr. Bradford, Mr. Chapman, and Mr. Kidman. Messrs. Steel, Sutherland, and Woods were returned unopposed. The state of the poll was declared on Monday last.

Several petitions are being signed in different parts of the country against the Matrimonial Causes (Divorce) Bill.

The Saturday half-holiday movement continues to make progress. The grocers' assistants held a meeting at Mr. Clark's Assembly Rooms, Elizabeth-street, on Tuesday evening last. There has also been a public meeting on behalf of the movement at Balmain.

The St. Philip's Sunday and day schools had a holiday excursion to Clontarf, Middle Harbour, on Tuesday last.

The Rev. Killian Coll delivered a lecture on "The Nature of Love," at the Masonic Hall, on Tuesday evening.

Amongst the recent deaths (not elsewhere mentioned) we have to make special record of the following cases: A prisoner in Darlinghurst gaol, named George Dickson, died there on Monday last, from disease of the kidneys.—A child, named Charles Sidney M'Arthur, was found drowned in a pond, in Balmain, on Tuesday last.

The band of H. M. 50th Regiment has been performing in the Outer Domain, on Thursday afternoons. These performances have hitherto been confined to the Botanic Gardens.

Mr. P. Phipps has produced a sample of sugar cultivated and manufactured by him at North Arm, Clarence River. In appearance it corresponds with low counter Mauritius, the grain being large, and of good flavour and full strength.

A violent storm swept over Wollongong and its neighbourhood on the 30th ultimo.

The Presbytery of Sydney met in St. Stephen's Church on Tuesday last, and transacted business.

The usual monthly meeting of members of the Horticultural Society of New South Wales was held last Wednesday evening in the lecture-room of the School of Arts. There was a good attendance of members. Mr. R. Henderson presided.

The Fort-street National School's annual excursion took place on Thursday last at the Clontarf Grounds, the sea being too rough to allow of the party being landed at Balmoral, as at first intended. The scholars, numbering 800, embarked at the Circular Quay on board of the steamers Breadalbane and Vesta, and the vessels, having landed the children, returned for the visitors, of whom there were about 700.

The rush to the Weddin Mountain diggings still continues. Four thousand people are on the ground, and there are fresh arrivals every hour. There are thirty public-houses, two banks, a theatre, and stores of all descriptions are being erected. Every spare piece of ground is being contested, and business sites are selling at from £30 to £80 each. One hundred and eighty shafts have been bottomed on payable gold.

Friday, 8th to 15th December.

Mrs. F. Lyster, professionally known as Mdle. Rosalie Durand, died suddenly on the 8th instant, of disease of the heart. Her remains were interred in the Roman Catholic Burial Ground.

On last Saturday evening, Mr. Scott afforded the public an opportunity of witnessing a fine display of fireworks. There was a large number of spectators.

A new yacht recently constructed by Mr. Langford, was launched on Saturday morning, and christened the "Nereid."

On the 8th a rifle match was shot, between the non-commissioned officers of the right wing of the 50th Regiment and the same number from the right wing of the Sydney Battalion Volunteer Rifles. The volunteers scored 360 points, and their opponents 323 points.

The Bourke mail was attacked on the 7th instant, near Dubbo, by two bushrangers. Mr. Grenfell, Crown lands commissioner, resisted the robbers, by whom he was shot in the thigh, and died from the effects of the wound.

Mr. Charles Moore was, on Monday last, elected Mayor of Sydney for the ensuing year.

Harry Suis, the Chinaman who murdered Ah Wong, was executed on the morning of the 10th instant. His death was instantaneous. He protested his innocence.

Some indignation is expressed in the Western districts for the proposed extension of the telegraphic line from Tamworth to Bourke; a line via Orange being considered nearer and more direct.

Mr. Whyman, the proprietor of a very ingeniously constructed model of the Tabernacle, is now giving a series of lectures thereon in this city.

Anniversary services in connection with the Bourke-street Congregational Sunday-schools were held on the 10th instant. A satisfactory report was presented.

On Friday week Clarke's gang robbed the Southern mail, near Razor-back. They rifled the letter-bags and took £4 from Mr. Watson a passenger.

The Government has received official information that a new gully, apparently very rich and of considerable extent, has been opened at Emu Creek.

On Tuesday evening the pupils of Cleveland-street National Schools, assisted by some friends, gave an entertainment to provide funds for their annual picnic.

The annual dinner of the members of the Sydney University took place on the 11th instant in the hall of the University. The chair was filled by the Chancellor, the Hon. E. Deas Thomson. Amongst the company present were his Excellency the Governor, the Vice-Chancellor, the Hon. J. H. Plunkett, Professors Pell and Smith, the Rev. Dr. Forrest, and a large number of gentlemen connected with, or interested in, the University. After an excellent dinner the usual toasts were given.

The Intercolonial Rifle Match for 1866 has been won by New South Wales. The scores were—New South Wales, 2203; Victoria, 2113. The highest scorers were—Slade, New South Wales, and Fawcett, Victoria. On Monday, M'Clure won the championship of the Australian colonies; Slade, second prize; Sharp, third; Linsley, fourth; and Strong, fifth.

Sir George and Lady Bowen visited the Opera on Wednesday evening, in company with his Excellency Sir John Young and suite.

The Government has decided to induce the people of Sydney to use the railway during the coming holidays, by giving greater facilities for seeing the beauties of the rural districts. We believe the charge will be one penny per mile return tickets.

The Appropriation and Public Loans Bill were introduced and passed through all their stages in the Assembly on Thursday.

The celebrated trotting horse Sir William Don arrived here, per City of Melbourne, on Thursday morning. His match against the Fool takes place on the 1st proximo.

Mr. Alexander Gordon has been elected a Fellow of St. Paul's College, in the room of the late Hon. R. Johns-n.

The Philosophical Society will, in future, be known as the Royal Society of New South Wales. The royal assent to the change of title was received by last mail. At the meeting of the society, held on Wednesday evening, Mr. Rolleston read a valuable paper on the condition and resources of the colony.

H. M. ship Eak arrived from Fiji on Wednesday, and reports having punished a refractory chief, who lacked respect for the British flag.

The Black Dog, from New Caledonia, brought ten tons of sugar, the produce of that island.

A movement to get up a public testimonial for the late Mr. Grenfell's family has been initiated at Dubbo.

A public meeting was held at the Lyceum Theatre on Wednesday evening, to consider the establishment of municipalities throughout the country.

A sunken wreck has been discovered in the harbour of Newcastle, but there is nothing about it to indicate the vessel's name.

The Rev. S. C. Kent declivered a lecture on "Tom Brown's School Days," in the Congregational Schoolroom, Pitt-street, on Thursday evening. There was a good attendance.

The annual distribution of prizes to the pupils of the Sydney Grammar School took place yesterday. His Excellency the Governor presided.

The Supreme Court has decided that the City Council has no power to carry a sewer through private land.

Sergeant Scott, late drill instructor to the Volunteer Artillery, was buried with military honours on Thursday.

At the weekly wool sales held on Thursday, the prices realised showed a reduction of from a farthing to a halfpenny per lb.

The Supreme Court has decided that the municipality of Bathurst is legally constituted.

The new London and Sydney liner, Parramatta, Captain Williams, arrived here yesterday morning, after a good passage from Plymouth.

The New South Wales representatives in the late intercolonial match left Melbourne on the voyage home on Thursday, and may be expected this evening.

A splendid schooner, named the Zephyr, of 250 tons burthen, was recently launched from Mr. Cuthbert's yard.

On Tuesday, a man, named Thomas Gardiner, dropped dead on a wharf at Miller's Point.

John Henry Cummings has been fully committed for trial for shooting a foreign seaman named Jose Bergallo.

The services in connection with the opening of Mr. Pidgeon's City Mission Chapel have terminated.

The Synod of the Diocese of Sydney has sat during the week, and was then prorogued.

Friday, 14th to 21st December.

The *Eastern Times* states that some short time since, at Bundure Station, on the Billabong, a gentleman discovered tens of thousands of bugs, creeping up the verandah towards some nests made therein by the swallow tribe or "martins." On breaking one of the nests he found some young living birds, perfect skeletons, upon which the bugs fed."

Recently at Fort Bourke the thermometer fell 61 degrees in half an-hour—it was 110 degrees, and fell to 49 degrees. Half-an-hour's rain followed.

The Attorney-General is retained as counsel for the defendant, in a case to come off at Deniliquin Circuit Court in January next (D'Archy v. Tyson), for 300 guineas.

Last Wednesday week a concert was given, at Parramatta, in the new National School hall, for the purpose of providing funds for the forthcoming Christmas excursion of the scholars. The new building was found to be excellently adapted for the purpose.

A man named Edward Pickering died suddenly, from natural causes, at his residence in Sussex-street, on the 14th instant.

The annual distribution of prizes to pupils of the Sydney Grammar School took place in the schoolroom last Saturday afternoon. The room was filled in every part by parents and friends of the pupils, and others interested in the school. His Excellency Sir John Young, visitor, in the course of a speech which he made, severely censured the trustees for their treatment of the head master. The matter has since furnished matter for angry debate in the Legislative Assembly.

The Rev. John M'Gibbon, a Presbyterian minister in this city, has petitioned the Legislature against Dr. Lang's Presbyterian College Bill.

Mr. Rutter, a civil engineer practising in this city, on Friday last, exhibited, in the lobby of the Legislative Assembly Chambers, the model of a vessel invented by him, styled the "Great Circular Ironclad Floating Battery for Bay and Harbour Defences."

The yearly inspection parade for the officer commanding the Volunteer force took place in the Inner Domain, last Saturday afternoon. There was an unusually large muster of Volunteers on the occasion, and the parade was, on the whole, very satisfactory.

The rifle representatives of New South Wales, who recently took part in the Intercolonial Rifle Match in Melbourne, returned to Sydney by the steamship Wonga Wonga, on Saturday last.

A fearful storm broke over the Eden township on Saturday last, the 15th instant.

A match intended to try the quality of the players already chosen for the intercolonial event came off on Saturday last in the Domain, but in several respects did not prove satisfactory.

The opening of the new schoolroom in connection with the new City Mission Chapel, corner of Liverpool and Sussex streets, was celebrated last Monday evening, by an entertainment given by members of the New South Wales Total Abstinence Society. Owing most probably to the very inclement state of the weather, the attendance was not very large.

A child, named Charles Gilbert Manning, son of Mr. John Edye Manning, of Edgecliffe Road, was accidently drowned last Saturday, in a pond at the back of his father's house.

It is stated that provision has been made by the Senate of the University for a considerable extension of the curriculum of studies next year. It is intended to introduce a course of Practical Chemistry, embracing lessons in chemical manipulation and testing, to be performed by the students themselves. There will also be courses of lectures on Mineralogy, and on Geology and Palæontology, illustrated by numerous specimens and diagrams. Other improvements in the curriculum are in contemplation.

Mr. Falconer, of Pitt-street, is engaged upon a painted glass window for St. Peter's, Woolloomooloo. The window—which is a memorial to the late Mr. Charles Kemp—is of two lights, each twelve feet by twenty inches, filled with a handsome geometrical pattern, with medallions containing figures of the Savior and Nathaniel, bordered with scrolls bearing a text. The drawing is free and graceful, and the colour rich and effective. The design for this window was prepared by Mr. William Kemp, architect, and it is being executed under his direction.

The other day, Mr. A Williamson killed a diamond snake, nearly opposite the West Maitland butts, which measured seven feet in length and ten inches in circumference at the thickest part of the body.

Mr. Handley, of Hawick-street, Bathurst, was found drowned in a well attached to his house, last Monday morning. It is supposed that he threw himself down the well during a temporary delirium.

A cab driver, named Daniel Coleraine, met with his death on Friday last, through a collision whilst driving his cab, in George-street.

The ballot for the election of two auditors for the city of Sydney took place on Saturday last. Mr. Joseph Carroll and Mr. Richard Creagh were declared by the returning-officer to be the parties elected.

An assistant engineer on board H.M.S. Eak died, in an epileptic fit, at noon on Saturday last.

The annual distribution of prizes to the students of St. Mary's College, Lyndhurst, took place on Saturday last, in the schoolroom of the institution.

Mr. Krefft, curator of the Australian Museum, has written an interesting report upon the fossil remains found in Wellington Valley. It is published in the *Herald* of Tuesday last.

On Monday evening last, a public meeting was held at the School of Arts, St. Leonards, for the purpose of objecting to the purchase by Mr. W. F. Norie of land at Blue's Point, required by the public for a landing place and wharf.

The annual meeting of the New South Wales Deaf and Dumb Institution was held in St. James's Schoolroom, Castlereagh-street, last Wednesday evening. His Excellency the Governor presided.

Much sympathy has been evoked on account of the death of Mr. Grenfell—shot by bushrangers whilst bravely defending the mail. A public subscription is proposed for the widow and family of the deceased gentleman.

Mr. W. H. Suttor has been invited to become a candidate for Bathurst. He was to have been opposed by Mr. George Thornton, but that gentleman has intimated that he will not contest the seat with Mr. Suttor.

There was a numerous attendance last Wednesday at the distribution of prizes to members of the Camden College School during the last session. Among those present were the Rev. J. E. Vetch, A.B., the Rev. J. G. Fraser, M.A., Mr. A. Garran, M.A., Mr. J. Thompson, the masters and professors of the school, the theological students of Camden College, and many ladies. The chair was occupied by the Rev. J. West, President of the College Council.

At 1 o'clock in the morning of Thursday, the 20th instant, the ship John Duthie, in the harbour, was discovered to be on fire. It was necessary to take her to Sirius Cove and scuttle her.

The annual and B.A. Examinations of the Sydney University commenced on the 26th November, and ended on the 8th December. The order of names has been made public.

It would appear that the Municipalities Bill, as something "born out of time," is to be one of the "slaughtered innocents,"—those usually sacrificed in Parliament by Herodian Legislators about this season.

The annual exhibition of needlework and drawing, executed by children belonging to the Cleveland-street National School, took place last Wednesday afternoon in the schoolroom. The work bore a favourable comparison with that of children in connection with any other school in the city, and some of the drawings were very cleverly done. A number of ladies and gentlemen, parents of the children, and others interested in their welfare, were present.

An exhibition of drawings by boys attending the Model National School took place in the schoolroom on Thursday morning last. A great number of visitors were present, and were entertained in a very pleasant manner for about two hours by the children, who gave a series of recitations and readings, and also sang several part songs. Mr. W. Wilkins presided.

It is expected that Parliament will be prorogued to-day—Saturday, the 22nd instant.

The *Moniteur de la Nouvelle Caledonie* of the 2nd December publishes a curious account of the colonial flag adopted by the New Caledonian Government. The principal figure on the *field* of the flag is the bird peculiar to New Caledonia the *Cagou*, or *Rhinochetus Jubatus*. The pine called *Araucaria Cookii* also has a place in this pictorial sign, on which, too, are the words "Civiliser, Produire, Rehabiliter."

Mr. Whyman is giving lectures on his model of the Tabernacle of the Wilderness to large audiences.

THE VICTORIAN RIFLE MATCHES.

THE rifle matches preliminary to the Great Annual Intercolonial Match between the chosen representatives of New South Wales and Victoria took place at the Sandridge butts, near Melbourne, on Monday and Tuesday, the 3rd and 4th of December. The object of these matches was twofold; first, to give the riflemen of the two colonies some practice over the ranges on which the great contest was to be shot; and second, to give them a chance of picking up a little money in the way of prizes. The competition embraced a series of seven matches, ten shots being permitted at each of seven ranges, namely, 200, 300, 500, 600, 700, 800, and 900 yards, with three prizes at each of the first four ranges, and four at each of the three remaining ranges, and two prizes for the highest aggregate scores throughout the competition, making altogether twenty-six prizes, amounting in the aggregate to £100.

The entries numbered thirty-five, including eleven from Sydney, and five from South Australia.

On Monday the weather overhead was fine, but the wind, which blew fresh from the left front, was exceedingly variable. The second day opened with a light breeze from the right front. This gradually increased in force, flew round to the left front, and during the after part of the day it blew so strongly in gusts that some of the competitors could not allow enough for it on their wind-gauges. The four shorter ranges were taken on the first day, and the remainder on the second.

The following are the names of the prize winners at the different ranges, and their scores —

		Points.
200 Yards.		
First prize, £3, Macartney, Bo.	...	40
Second prize, £2, Slade, N. S. W.	...	38
Third prize, £1, Wickham, N. S. W.	...	38
300 Yards.		
First prize, £4, M'Clure, Cn.	...	36
Second prize, £3, Johnson, E. H. A.	...	35
Third prize, £1, Dickson, N. S. W.	...	33
500 Yards.		
First prize, £5, M'Clure, Cn.	...	36
Second prize, £3, Rayner, N. S. W.	...	36
Third prize, £2, Brownlow, N. S. W.	...	36
600 Yards.		
First prize, £6, Captain Rankine, S. A.	...	36
Second prize, £4, Rayner, N. S. W.	...	35
Third prize, £2, Lieutenant Templeton, Cd.	...	33
700 Yards.		
First prize, £6, Hordern, N. S. W.	...	37
Second prize, £4, Slade, N. S. W.	...	36
Third prize, £2, Brownlow, N. S. W.	...	36
Fourth prize, £1, M'Clure, Cn.	...	35
800 Yards.		
First prize, £7, Lieutenant Walker, S. K. A.	...	34
Second prize, £5, Colonel Rede, Staff	...	33
Third prize, £3, Lynch, N. S. W.	...	31
Fourth prize, £1, Hordern, N. S. W.	...	30
900 Yards.		
First prize, £8, M'Clure, Cn.	...	36
Second prize, £6, Sharp, N. S. W.	...	32
Third prize, £4, Lieutenant Scoular, S. A.	...	31
Fourth prize, £2, Johnson, E. H. A.	...	20
Total score Prizes,		
First prize, £10, M'Clure, Cn.	...	244
Second prize, £5, Rayner, N. S. W.	...	230

The appended table gives the names of the whole of the competitors and their scores, in order of merit.

	200.	300.	500.	600.	700.	800.	900.	
M'Clure, Cn. (W.)	37	36	36	34	35	36	36	—244
Rayner, N. S. W. (W.)	37	29	36	35	33	29	29	—230
Hordern, N. S. W. (W.)	33	34	34	33	37	30	27	—228
Slade, N. S. W. (W.)	38	32	33	35	36	25	25	—224
Sharp, N. S. W. (W.)	36	31	30	34	30	32	32	—223
Brownlow, N. S. W. (W.)	36	33	36	27	36	30	23	—220
Johnson, E. H. A. (W.)	37	35	25	31	34	25	29	—216
J. W. Fawcett, Cn. (W.)	37	34	33	34	35	26	27	—216
Dickson, N. S. W. (W.)	36	33	34	25	31	26	30	—215
Lacey, S. K. A. (W.)	35	34	32	32	26	29	26	—214
Macartney, Bo. (W.)	33	30	29	32	30	30	32	—213
Linsley, N. S. W. (W.)	32	28	32	30	32	29	28	—211
Lynch, N. S. W. (W.)	34	29	32	31	27	31	25	—209
Middleton, Q. A. (R.)	35	27	34	35	25	25	20	—201
Bythell, I. C. (W.)	31	30	29	26	29	26	29	—200
J. R. Fawcett, E. Cd. (H.)	31	33	34	25	30	27	21	—199
Templeton, Cd. (K.)	36	32	16	35	34	28	18	—199
Rankine, S. A.	37	30	35	36	24	28	9	—199
Colonel Rede, Staff (H.)	33	28	34	33	27	33	21	—198
Mumby, 1st Bt. (W.)	34	31	34	26	33	18	26	—196
M'Naughten, S. K. A. (K.)	35	31	33	27	29	21	19	—195
Wickham, N. S. W. (W.)	38	31	30	22	28	24	21	—194
Knight, W. A. (W.)	30	24	30	31	29	26	22	—192
M'Kwan, M. and N. N. (T.)	33	28	27	32	28	24	20	—192
Stark, S. A. (W.)	34	32	29	17	27	23	27	—189
Thrum, N. S. W. (T.)	34	29	24	26	31	22	23	—189
Walker, S. K. A. (W.)	33	32	8	26	32	24	22	—187
Strong, N. S. W. (W.)	34	28	32	17	32	24	18	—187
Scoular, S. A. (W.) ...	35	27	25	29	25	12	31	—184
Watson, (W.)	29	34	32	30	29	16	20	—180
Kellow, E. H. A. (R.)	36	30	27	19	20	14	11	—157
Hendren, S. K. A. (R.)	31	21	31	32	23	5	12	—155
Edgecombe, S. A. (W.)	31	28	31	2	29	16	9	—155
Capt. Irving, M. and N. M. (H.)	31	24	22	19	22	A	A	—118

It will be seen by the following table that the aggregate score made by the New South Wales ten was higher by 63 points than that made by the Victoria ten.

New South Wales.		Victoria.		
Rayner ...	... 230	M'Clure	...	244
Hordern ...	... 228	J. W. Fawcett	...	216
Slade ...	... 224	Johnson	...	216
Sharp ...	... 223	Lacey	...	214
Brownlow ...	... 220	Macartney	...	213
Dickson ...	... 215	Templeton	...	199
Linsley ...	... 211	Colonel Rede	...	198
Lynch ...	... 209	Mumby	...	196
Wickham ...	... 194	M'Naughton	...	195
Strong ...	... 187	Walker ...	...	187
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INTERCOLONIAL RIFLE MATCH.

The fifth annual rifle contest between New South Wales and Victoria came off at the Sandridge Butts, near Melbourne, on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, the 6th, 7th, and 8th December, and resulted in a victory for the former by ninety points, making the fourth match out of the five in which the New South Welshmen have secured the laurels.

This annual contest was instituted in 1862, for the possession of a Challenge Shield, to become the property of that colony whose representatives shall have won the match three years in succession. The purchase money for this shield has been subscribed by the Rifle Associations of the two colonies, and now lies in one of the Sydney banks at interest. The first match was shot at Sandridge, in November, 1862, the victory going to Sydney. In 1863 it was shot at Paddington, near Sydney, when the New South Wales men were again successful. In the following year, 1864, it was again shot at Sandridge, when Victoria secured the honours. In 1865 the match was shot at Paddington, when New South Wales recovered the laurels she had lost the previous year.

The match which has just been shot has excited a good deal of interest in both colonies. The Victorians believed the probabilities of the match and they determined to make the most of their advantage. Four months ago they commenced a series of trial practices, under the able and indefatigable generalship of Major Hall, with a view of selecting the best men that Victoria could produce to bring against the Sydney riflemen. The New South Welshmen were equally energetic in their preparations for the match, and the result was the selection of the two strongest teams that the two colonies ever got together.

On the morning of the 7th the competitors were on the ground by half-past 9 o'clock, ready to commence at 10. Major Hall acted as umpire for Victoria and Captain Eastwood for New South Wales; Captain Irving having kindly undertaken to act as referee. Colour-sergeant Dickson and corporal Thrum acted as markers for New South Wales. The morning was fine, with a strong breeze in front. Slade, Brownlow, Rayner, Strong and Lynch, of New South Wales, in the order named, first went to the targets, and M'Clure, Walker, Macartney, Johnson, and Mumby, of Victoria. The former scored 169, and the latter 176, which gave them a majority of seven. The second squads were, Sharp, Linsley, Dickson, Wickham, and Hordern, for N. S. Wales, and M'Naughton, Lacey, Rede, Templeton, and Fawcett, for Victoria. The former scored 180, and the latter 176, making a total of 352 for Victoria and 349 for Sydney, the former having a lead of 3 points. After luncheon (supplied to the competitors at the expense of the Victorian Rifle Association) the 500 yards range was commenced, the same order being observed in the two squads. Victoria's first five scored 155, and Sydney's first five the same number. The second squads then fell in. At the termination of the firing at this range the scores stood thus:—Victoria, 152; Sydney, 157. Grand totals up to this point, Victoria, 659; New South Wales, 661, the latter being two points in advance. A move was now made to the 500 yards' range, where the first squad for New South Wales was sent to the targets against the second squad for Victoria. The former scored 172, and the latter 175, making up the totals to 334 for Victoria, and 333 for New South Wales. This brought the first day's shooting to a termination.

On Friday morning the weather was beautifully fine over-head, with a light breeze from the left front, but most variable both in direction and force, as it had been on the previous day. In fact the wind throughout the match was continually shifting, and the Victorians themselves admitted that the circumstances were more variable than they had been during the whole of their practices. The firing commenced with the second Sydney squad and the first Victorian squad at 500 yards. The former scored 164, and the latter 174, making up the aggregate scores to 508 for Victoria, and 497 for Sydney, having the former 11 points in advance of their rivals. The squads who had been firing at the 500 yards range followed up their shooting at the 600 yards, and for the most part shot well. The Victorians scored 154, and the New South Welshmen 150, thus the former added four points more to their lead. The remaining squads (after luncheon), resumed the firing at this range, and at the finish the result was as follows:—Victoria, 171; New South Wales, 171; which still left Victoria 15 points ahead. The Victorians had now touched the highest point in their favour, and from this to the end of the contest they gradually lost ground. The squads led by Slade and M'Naughton commenced firing at 700 yards, the wind being from the right front. In the middle of the first round (the sighting shots having been fired), the wind flew round to the left front, and before it was felt at the firing point gave Strong a miss to the right. Lynch fired next, and by making an allowance in his windgauge to throw the shot about twelve feet more to the left secured a bullseye. From this point the Sydney men, either by good judgment—for the wind was varying every minute—or by good fortune, made steady shooting, while it was evident that the Victorians were in difficulties. Templeton missed twice, Colonel Rede three times, and the hits were for the most part outers or centres. Colonel Rede attributed his ill fortune, and correctly too to some extent, as was subsequently proved, to his rifle having become leaded. Upon the application of the umpire for Victoria he was permitted by the referee to have his rifle cleaned, and to postpone his shooting until a subsequent hour of the day. After the rifle had been cleaned Colonel Rede fired his three shots, and scored a bullseye, a centre, and a miss. At the finish of the firing of the two squads the scores were—Victoria 136, New South Wales 156. The latter had therefore wiped out the 15 points by which the Victorians led at the commencement of the range, and put four points to their own credit. The remaining squads then fell in, and at 6 o'clock, when the firing ceased, the grand totals were:—Victoria, 1118; New South Wales, 1107, the latter having nine shots at this range to fire.

On Saturday morning the wind was very hot, and from the rear—the most difficult wind that the rifleman has to contend with. The Sydney men, who had to fire their nine shots at 700 yards, without sighting shots, did not, however, lose heart, but went to the firing point, and succeeded in putting all their shots on the target. They scored twenty-five points, which brought up their aggregate score to 1132, and gave them a lead of fourteen points. The same squad (led by Sharp), and the squad led by M'Clure, now commenced firing at the 800 yards range, and while the Sydney men improved in their shooting the Victorians fell off in theirs, and at the finish of the firing of the squad the scores stood thus—Victoria 118, N. S. W. 151, thus adding 33 points to the 14 points lead previously obtained. The other squad on both sides effected but little alteration in the scores, Sydney scoring 143 and Victoria 150. The aggregate scores now were Victoria 1386, N. S. W. 1426, the latter having a lead of 40 points. The match was now virtually over, for although the Victorians headed the score of the Sydney men at 900 yards in Sydney last year by 41 points, it would be but little short of a miracle for such a result to occur again. The squads, led by M'Naughton on the one side, and Sharp on the other, went first to the firing points at the final range, and at the termination of their firing the New South Welshmen had increased their lead by 33 points, the scores being, Victoria 111, N. S. W. 144. The Victorians appeared to lose heart at this untoward result, and hence their last squad shot very indifferently. Even M'Clure, who made the splendid score of 36 at this range in the All Comers Match, on the previous Tuesday, only made 27, and the squad which he led finished with 116 points, while the rival squad scored 133. This brought the grand total of New South Wales up to 2203, and of Victoria to 2113—the former being declared the win

ARLIAMENT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

THE COUNCIL.

On Wednesday, 28th November, a bill to extend the wers of the Municipal Council of Sydney was read irst time.—A bill to provide for the gradual reduc- n and abolition of the duty on gold was read a first ne.—A bill to incorporate the Presbyterian College, d a bill to amend the Coal-Fields Regulation Act 1862, were read a first time.—On motion made for ing into committee on the Public Schools Bill, r. PLUNKETT, opposed the bill on the ground that ere was no provision whatever for religious teaching maintaining that the present system had given satis- ction and had worked well, and that every desirable ject would be obtained by amalgamating the two ards—National and Denominational—into one. e House went into committee on the bill. Clause having been moved, Mr. DEAS THOMSON said at, after consultation with some friends, he d prepared a number of amendments which would lay upon the table, with a view of eir being printed and circulated amongst mbers. He proposed to amend the first clause, so to exclude the Colonial Secretary from the Board. other amendments he proposed to supply deficien- s in the bill in respect to Non-vested and National hools, and also in reference to payment of fees and eir appropriation. Mr. DOCKER said that, having en the amendments the hon. member proposed to ake, he thought them such as would alter the ole bill, and he should not feel justified in taking a cision of the committee to-night before cousulting s colleagues. Mr. A. CAMPBELL said that perhaps e decision on the 1st clause might save the Council e trouble of going on with the bill at all. r. DEAS THOMSON then moved that the words be uck out from the 1st clause, so as to exclude the olonial Secretary from the council. Mr. DOCKER en moved that the Chairman leave the chair, report ogress, and obtain leave to sit again to-morrow. r. GORDON opposed the motion, and pressed for a cision on the amendment proposed. Sir W. ANNING supported the motion with a view to on with the bill even if the Government should proceed with it. Mr. B. RUSSELL had no jection to postpone until to-morrow. Mr. WEEKES id it would be a saving of time to wait until ednesday in order that the Government, as ll as members of this House, might have time consider the amendments. Sir W. MANNING nded in amendments, which he intended to opose; also to be printed and circulated, rticularly with respect to the 27th clause of e bill, so as to interfere as little as possible with sted Interests and existing schools. At ten inutes to 9 the Chairman reported progress, d obtained leave to sit again this day.—The ouse went into Committee of the Whole on e Public Institutions Inspection Bill, and the bill as reported with an amendment in the first clause, xing power to join some person or persons in special ace with the inspector; and another in the 5th ause, vesting the appointment of Inspector in the overnor and Executive Council.—The Parramatta arket Bill, and the Campbell's Exchange of Ways ill were read a third time and passed.

On Thursday, 29th, Mr. PLUNKETT moved that the ewcastle Co-operative Steam Tug Company's Bill referred to a select committee, which was agreed to. Mr. DOCKER moved the second reading of the bill extend the powers of the Municipal Council of dney—the object of the bill being to enable the uncil to levy a water rate not exceeding 5s. per om for all buildings except places of worship and hools. In reply to Mr. DEAS THOMSON, Mr. DOCKER ated that the idea was, that all public buildings ould be charged for water; but that there was no ention to give the City Council any power of levy- g rates on other municipalities. The bill was read econd time.—The House went into committee on e Public Schools Bill. Mr. DEAS THOMSON moved at certain words be struck out, which would make e clause read, "Five persons shall be appointed, ho shall constitute a Council of Education," &c., aving out the Colonial Secretary altogether; and he ged upon the House not to consent to invest the olonial Secretary with such enormous powers as e patronage would give him. He apologised the number of amendments, which were, wever, for the most part consequential. The RESIDENT asked if the amendments were the norable member's own amendments, and proceeded comment upon letters which had appeared in the blic newspapers with respect to the non-vested hools. Mr. PLUNKETT called the President to der for alluding to a portion of the bill not under scussion. A somewhat warm debate ensued. The AIRMAN in the end ruling that the President as out of order. Mr. DOCKER proceeded to pose the amendment, the effect of which ould, he said, be to shelve the bill. Mr. MES MACARTHUR, while holding that there should a Minister of the Crown at the head of the ucation of the country, did not think that Minister ould be the Colonial Secretary, whose office could t be separated from party considerations. He pported the amendment, and suggested that there ould be a Minister for Education, to whom also ight be entrusted the judicial establishments of the untry. Mr. B. RUSSELL supported the clauses as oposed, pointing again to his old friend Guizot as authority for having such officials as the Colonial cretary at the head of the Education Board. He ould oppose every amendment, believing that the le object of the amendment was to shelve the bill. r. JOHN CAMPBELL cordially supported the amend- ent, objecting to the power of appointing school- asters being placed in the hands of any Colonial cretary. The PRESIDENT also thought there was uch objection to the Colonial Secretary being a ember of and President of the Board. He ould much prefer to have education entrusted one officer whatever his title might be. He ought that the time had not arrived for this bill, but the same time as the bill was here, he should pport the clause, as it was a matter of detail, and e bill was not to come into operation for some time. he hon. President was proceeding to allude to in- uences which had been brought to bear on hon. mem- ers, when Mr. PLUNKETT again rose to order, and ere was another debate upon order, the Chairman ally ruling that while he did not think the President ad gone far enough to compel him to call him to der, the President was not in order in persisting. r W. MANNING said that, as the amendment ad been proposed he should support it, although he ould not have proposed it himself, as he thought the il of placing the Colonial Secretary in the position President of this Board would be found so great at it would soon work its own cure, and the enact- ent, if now carried, would speedily be repealed. r. DOCKER again argued in favour of the clause; ating, however, that he did not intend to withdraw the ill if the amendments were carried, but to fight it to e last line. The effect in the other House ould be to shelve the bill. Mr. DEAS THOMSON id he should persist in the amendments. Mr. OWNS claimed the right to deal with every tail of the bill, although he had voted for the cond reading, and supported the amendment to xclude the Colonial Secretary from the Board. r. PLUNKETT supported the amendment, main- aining that the proposed Board would not have the ame functions as the Board of the Privy Council. He as of opinion that the matter of education should be ntirely separate from politics, and the Colonial ecretary must always be the chief politician of the day. r. DOCKER replied to the last speaker, maintaining at the Board of the Privy Council exercised all the atronage, and the amendment would destroy the bill y taking away the responsibility of the Government. r. A. CAMPBELL said honorable members were aising up difficulties which had no existence in fact. f schoolmasters appointed by the Colonial Secre- ary must necessarily be political agents, then every erson holding office under the Government must be onsidered a political agent. He believed that there as a great deal of personal feeling mixed up n the opposition to the Colonial Secretary. If the House had the power to call into existence a Minister f Education, and the words proposed were "the Minister of Education for the time being," he should e in favour of the amendment; but he could not onsent to do away with all responsibility, as the resent amendment proposed. He did not believe hat the Assembly would, or ought to, assent to any ill authorising the expenditure of large sums of money without having a Minister responsible in his wn person for such expenditure. He intimated his ntention, if the amendment was carried, to move a urther amendment to supply i place. Sir W. ANNING followed, pointing out that on the second eading the la[illegible]ad spoken against this lause. Mr. [illegible]y admitted this, but said hat there appeared to be no other way. Sir W. ANNING proceeded to support the amendment t some length. He also intimated his intention o propose an amendment at the close of the th clause, providing that no money should be xpended by the Board, without the sanction of the olonial Secretary or the Minister of Education for he time being. Mr. GORDON, not having heard any atisfactory substitute proposed for the Colonial ecretary, should support the clause. Mr. DOCKER aid that they had not as yet advanced a step, and haracterised all that had been said as to placing political power in the hands of the Colonial Secretary as fallacious. Mr. B. RUSSELL maintained, as he had done before, that the present was a mere struggle for power. Those who opposed the bill did so solely on this ground. Mr. OGILVIE was in favour of the bill generally, but he was opposed to giving the Colonial Secretary the position claimed for him. Mr. PLUNKETT inquired if the Government intended that the members of the Board should be paid; if paid, how much? Mr. DOCKER was in possession of no information which was not contained within the four corners of the bill. The question was put, and on division the amendment was carried by a majority of 13 to 8. Mr. A. CAMPBELL proposed the introduction of the words "with a member of the Ministry"—the clause reading, "Five persons shall be appointed as hereinafter provided, who shall, with a member of the Ministry," &c. This amendment would decide the question whether the majority wished to have a Minister responsible or not. At all events, the particular objection to the Colonial Secretary for the time being would be got rid of. Mr. DEAS THOMSON characterised this as trifling with the committee, as the Ministry for the time being might at once appoint the Colonial Secretary. Mr. DOCKER supported the amendment as a test of the sincerity of those who had said they wanted a Minister of Education. Sir W. MANNING objected to this way of putting the matter, and pointed out that the Postmaster General, as a member of a Government, could hardly be held to be entirely a free agent. The PRESIDENT thought the amendment a most important one, and that it would be well to let the matter stand over until Tuesday, although, if it went to the vote, he should support the amendment, upholding the view of ministerial responsibility, and giving the Government the power of appointing a Minister of Education. Mr. DEAS THOMSON said his objection was not to the Colonial Secretary personally—not to the office of Colonial Secretary—but to the President of the Board being a Minister of the Crown. The PRESIDENT, speaking again to the amendment, expressed his opinion that it would be well that the country should accept the bill—Mr. PLUNKETT rose to order. The PRESIDENT had spoken expressly for the purpose of being called to order. He had consulted authorities, and every parliamentary authority was in his favour that he was at liberty to speak as often as he pleased, and to introduce any matter which might be brought to bear on the question. Mr. PLUNKETT regretted that the hon. President had lost his temper. The PRESIDENT threw himself on the Chairman for protection. He had not lost his temper. Mr. PLUNKETT was satisfied, as his hon. friend said so, that he had not lost his temper. Considerable time was occupied with this matter, which terminated by Mr. ALLEN ruling that the President was not out of order. Mr. DOCKER moved that the Chairman leave the chair, and report progress. The Chairman reported progress.

On Tuesday, 4th December, the Public Institutions' Inspection Bill was read a third time and passed.—The House went into committee on the Public Schools Bill. Mr. DEAS THOMSON moved a further amendment in the first clause, namely, to omit the words providing that the Colonial Secretary be *ex officio* chairman of the Council of Education. Mr. DOCKER said that he should not now further oppose the amendment. He thought the committee had taken the course it had without considering the effect on the bill. So far the principle of responsibility to the Legislature through a Minister—a member of the Board—was destroyed; but the committee would defeat their own object, for the bill contained nothing to prevent any Colonial Secretary, or any or all of the members of a Ministry, from being appointed to the Council of Education. At any rate the permanence of the Board would be done away with, for every Colonial Secretary, on coming in, would take care to appoint men on whose actions he could depend. He thought the committee would do well to revert to the clause as originally proposed. Mr. DEAS THOMSON very briefly replied, expressing a hope that the debate would be concluded without a repetition of any of the acerbities which had marked their last meetings. He intimated his intention of moving an amendment on the fifth clause, excluding all Ministers for the time being from the Council of Education. Mr. GORDON hoped that, if the committee did not restore the clause, they would provide, by some amendment in the course of the bill, for the appointment of a Minister of Education. Mr. PLUNKETT followed in support of the course taken in amending the clause. Mr. A. CAMPBELL pointed out that, so far as the amendments went, they would not prevent the Ministry from appointing any number of themselves to the Board. Mr. JAMES MACARTHUR repeated his former views as to the desirability of having a Minister of Education. After some further discussion the question was put on the amendment, and on division the amendment was carried by a majority of 12 to 6. The 3rd clause was passed, after a mere verbal amendment, and the 4th clause was agreed to as proposed. Clause 5, "Council of Education how members to be appointed." Mr. DEAS THOMSON moved the omission of the words, "other than the Colonial Secretary," which was carried by a majority of 13 to 6. Mr. DEAS THOMSON proposed an addition to the clause providing "that no Minister of the Crown for the time being shall be appointed or hold office as a member of the said Council of Education." Mr. DOCKER said that he could not, of course, accede to this proposal, and asked if the Council was prepared not only expressly to declare that the Board of Education should be irresponsible, but also to declare themselves opposed to the other branch of the Legislature. Mr. A. CAMPBELL thought the committee might as well proceed at once to appoint a Minister of Education and to fix his salary. Mr. TOWNS hoped to see the amendment so altered, as to provide for a Minister of Education. Sir W. MANNING thought there was a constitutional question of great importance involved in the proposed amendment, and suggested that time should be taken to consider it. Mr. DOCKER disclaimed having used any threat, he merely pointed out, that the Governor having the power to appoint the Board, might appoint any one he pleased. He did not object to the withdrawal of the amendment for the present. Mr. GORDON opposed the amendment. Mr. PLUNKETT supported the amendment, and maintained that hon. members who had voted for the first amendment, in the first clause, must in consistency support the present amendment. Sir W. MANNING pointed out that there was this difference between Mr. Plunkett and himself. Mr. Plunkett wished the bill to be defeated—he wished the bill to pass with some desirable amendments, and he might be disposed to give up a matter of smaller importance in order to secure a greater object. He denied that any charge of inconsistency could attach to any who opposed this amendment, as there was a vast difference between laying it down by legislative enactment that a Minister of the Crown shall be a member of the Board, and leaving it to the Executive to appoint a Minister or not. Mr. TOWNS should support the amendment, hoping that everything of a political nature would be kept out of the Board. Mr. A. CAMPBELL said that even if there were a Minister of Education, this amendment would prevent his being a member of the Board. Mr. JAMES MACARTHUR hoped that the amendment would not be pressed. Mr. DOCKER said that the conduct of the bill had been virtually taken out of his hands by the amendments. The PRESIDENT thought too much weight was attached to the amendments, which, in his opinion, did not affect the principle of the bill. He should be in favour of the appointment of a paid officer. Mr. DEAS THOMSON repeated that the object of the amendment was to maintain what the committee had already done. He had no objection to postpone the consideration of the amendment if it could be done. The CHAIRMAN ruled that this could not be done—the clause having once been amended. Mr. A. CAMPBELL objected to any postponement or withdrawal. The committee should decide at once upon it. Mr. JOHN CAMPBELL moved that the Chairman leave the chair and report progress. Mr. DOCKER opposed the motion, which was supported by Sir W. MANNING and Mr. OGILVIE, and again opposed by Mr. A. CAMPBELL, who said he should force the committee to a division upon it to-morrow, if he could not to-night. Mr. G. H. COX also opposed the adjournment of the debate, as did also the PRESIDENT. On division, Mr. J. Campbell's motion was negatived by a majority of 8 to 7. The question was put on the amendment proposed by Mr. DEAS THOMSON, and the amendment was negatived by a majority of 8 to 7. Mr. DEAS THOMSON proposed an amendment in the sixth clause, to include non-vested schools. Mr. DOCKER opposed the amendment, which he said went to alter the whole bill for the sake of a comparatively small number of schools. Sir W. MANNING opposed the amendment, on the ground that it would place the non-vested schools in a worse position than they were at present, and reduce them to the same position as Denominational schools, without any certainty as to the amount of aid they should receive from the public funds. Mr. DEAS THOMSON said that there was no provision for future non-vested schools—a way proposed by the Government to extend education, by preventing people from giving land, or subscribing money to promote education. It did appear to him extraordinary when it was remembered how much these schools were approved throughout the colony. If it was the deliberate opinion of the committee that there should not be any more of these non-vested schools then they would reject his amendment. Mr. A. CAMPBELL said the object of the bill was to let these schools die out, and to establish public schools with which religion would have nothing to do. While the object of the amendments was to foster and perpetuate these Denominational and non-vested schools, and destroy the fundamental principle of the bill. Mr. TOWNS supported the amendment. Mr. PLUNKETT also supported the amendment at considerable length. Mr. G. H. COX opposed the amendment. Mr. DOCKER opposed the amendment. And Mr. DEAS THOMSON replied. Sir W. MANNING thought that non-vested schools might exist under the bill as proposed as well as at present. After some further debate the amendment was carried on division by a majority of 9 to 6.

On Wednesday, 5th, Mr. DOCKER moved the second reading of the Gold Duties Reduction Bill. The bill had been rendered necessary by the action of the Victorian Government, which had reduced the gold duty in that colony; and in order that New South Wales might still have the credit of the gold she produced, and that diggers might not be demoralised by temptations to smuggle gold in order to evade the export duty. Mr. DEAS THOMSON was opposed to the abolition of this duty while the ad valorem, the package, and the stamp duties were retained—denying at the same time that the charge on gold was a duty at all, but maintaining that it was a rent or royalty on the gold, which was the property of the public. Mr. A. CAMPBELL moved that the bill be read a second time this day six months, objecting to give up this duty while the other duties referred to by Mr. DEAS THOMSON remained, and while the finances were so crippled that the Government was obliged to carry on public works by means of temporary loans. Mr. G. H. COX supported Mr. A. Campbell's motion, pointing out that the charge of 2s. 6d. an ounce on gold was originally adopted on petition of gold diggers themselves in place of a fixed monthly payment to which diggers were liable, and the agitation for its reduction did not arise from any pressure by the diggers themselves but from some one or two, or more, who desired to gain popularity by it. Mr. GORDON, Mr. TOWNS, and Mr. PLUNKETT, opposed the bill; and Mr. J. CAMPBELL and Mr. WEEKES supported it. The question was put on the amendment, which was carried by a majority of fifteen to five; and the bill was consequently lost.—Mr. DOCKER, in a speech of some length, proposed the second reading of the Postage Bill entering into a statement of the various provisions contained in it. After a few words from Mr. DEAS THOMSON, the motion for the second reading was agreed to.—The Municipal Council of Sydney Powers' Extension Bill was taken into committee, and reported with an amendment.—The House went into committee on the Public Schools Bill. Mr. DEAS THOMSON moved the introduction into the 6th clause of the words "and subject to the provisions hereinafter contained," explaining their reference particularly to the clause he intended to propose as clause 10, the effect of which was that the trustees of non vested schools shall have the appointment of the teachers of such schools. There was a considerable amount of time occupied in a discussion of a point of order as to whether, while proposing these words Mr. Thomson could refer to the proposed 10th clause—and finally it was decided that he could allude to the clause and lastly, that it would be more convenient to take the discussion on the proposed tenth clause at the same time. Mr. DEAS THOMSON's amendment was finally carried by a majority of 11 to 9. A further amendment, proposed by Mr. DEAS THOMSON, providing for the election by the Board of their own president, was carried. Sir W. MANNING proposed a proviso, placing the Board under the control of the Executive, the same as any other department of the public service, which was agreed to almost without debate. Clause 7, "Regulations to have the force of law"—was carried by 17 to 3. Mr. DEAS THOMSON proposed an endment in the 8th clause, but did not press it, and the clause was agreed to as proposed. In clause 9, Denominational schools may be established. Mr. DEAS THOMSON proposed to strike out the words "in any locality where a public school may be established which has in attendance thereat not less than seventy children." Mr. DOCKER very briefly opposed the amendment, which was also opposed by Mr. A. CAMPBELL, as changing the whole character and principle of the bill. It was wasting time to go on in this way; better to negative every claim as proposed. Sir W. MANNING should only support the bill on condition of paying proper respect to the opinions of a respectable minority where they desired to establish Denominational schools. The clause as it stood, though professing to allow Denominational schools to be established, presented so many clogs that it would be impossible to establish any. Mr. DOCKER said the clause would not prevent Denominational schools from springing up, but the intention of the bill was not to encourage them, but to establish a good public school in every locality where such a school could be established. Mr. TOWNS supported the amendment, considering the 9th clause as it came up the most objectionable of the whole bill. Mr. COX opposed the amendment, the effect of which would be to perpetuate the present nuisance of a number of petty schools with a small number of children in each. It was upsetting the whole principle of the bill. Mr. A. CAMPBELL again explained what he considered to be the intention of the bill, and of the promoters of the bill, which would be wholly changed if this amendment to encourage and perpetuate the Denominational system was adopted. On division, the amendment was carried by a majority of 11 to 8.

On Thursday, 6th, the Governor's assent was received to the following bills:—Sale of Colonial Brandy Bill, Commercial Banking Company's Act Amendment Bill, Sheep Disease Prevention Bill, Bishopric of Goulburn Lands Investment Bill, Pitt-street Tramway Act Repeal Bill, New-street Parramatta Enclosure Bill, Parramatta Market Bill, and Campbell's Exchange of Ways Bill.—Mr. GORDON moved the second reading of the Coal-fields Regulation Act Amendment Bill, the object of which, he said, was to place coal miners in a position to recover their wages. Mr. B. RUSSELL opposed the bill as an attempt at class legislation, the object being to remove the coal miners from under the operation of the Masters and Servants' Act, and he contended that some three millions of money now invested in coal mining pursuits would be lost altogether if the small power which owners of mines had over colliers was taken away. Mr. A. CAMPBELL moved that the bill be read this day six months, no reason whatever having been given for such a measure. Mr. J. MACARTHUR, Mr. TOWNS, and Mr. J. CAMPBELL opposed the bill, and Mr. PLUNKETT and Mr. DOCKER were rather in favour of going into committee on the bill. Mr. DEAS THOMSON and Mr. OGILVIE also opposed the bill. Mr. GORDON replied, saying that it would be useless to go into committee if the Council intended to cut up the bill as had been done on the last occasion. The second reading was lost, on division, by 12 to 3.—A message was received from the Legislative Assembly concurring in the amendments made by the Council in the Public Institutions Inspection Bill.—With reference to the Municipal Council of Sydney Powers Extension Bill, Mr. DOCKER said that the amendment which was introduced last night would destroy the whole effect of the bill. The City Corporation had laid down the mains which supplied the suburbs. Suburban municipalities had no power to levy rates for water, and unless the city adopted the course of cutting off the water altogether the residents in such suburbs would have the water free of cost. Mr. A. CAMPBELL moved that the bill be recommitted, for the purpose of reconsideration. After some debate the bill was recommitted, and the clause was restored to its original state, and was again reported, and the report adopted.—Mr. DOCKER drew attention to a correspondence in a country newspaper, from which it appeared that a Denominational schoolmaster named Rooney had been dismissed because he had failed to exert himself in procuring signatures to petitions against the Public Schools Bill. Mr. ALLEN, as Chairman of the Denominational Board, said that the Board knew nothing of the matter. The writer of the letter was employed in some way by the Roman Catholic branch of the Board. The House having gone into committee, Mr. DEAS THOMSON moved that the 16th clause be struck out, and a new clause inserted, providing that in non-vested and Denominational schools established after this bill passed, the appointment of teachers should rest with the trustees, subject to the approval of the Council of Education. After a brief debate, the tenth clause as printed was struck out on division by a majority of 6 to 5. The new clause proposed by Mr. DEAS THOMSON was carried by a majority of 8 to 4. Mr. DOCKER on this announced that after the decision of the committee just announced, although he should not abandon the bill, he should only move the succeeding clauses *pro forma*, without opposing the amendments by arguments. Clauses 11 to 14, inclusively, were passed without remark. On clause 15, "Training establishments," Mr. DEAS THOMSON proposed an amendment providing for aid being given to non-vested and Denominational training schools. Mr. J. MACARTHUR thought the clause should pass as printed. Mr. PLUNKETT supported the amendment, holding that religious training was required for teachers. Mr. A. CAMPBELL objected to the amendment as compelling persons to contribute towards the support of a training school for religious denominations to which they were altogether opposed. A discussion ensued on the general question of religious instruction in schools, and the principles of the National system, in which Mr. DOCKER, Mr. PLUNKETT, and the PRESIDENT took part. The question having at length been put, Mr. DEAS THOMSON's amendment was negatived. Clause 15 was consequently agreed to as proposed. Mr. DEAS THOMSON proposed to strike out Clause 16, so as to make the payment of fees compulsory. Carried. In clause 17, Mr. DEAS THOMSON proposed the insertion of the words "non vested," which was carried; and a further amendment providing that the fees collected should be paid to the teacher or teachers, which was also carried. Clause 18 was amended also by the omission of the words "between five and fourteen years," and a proviso exempting payment of fees on inability shown. A new clause was carried providing for the recovery of fees where parents were shown to be able to pay them. The other amendments of which notice has been given by Mr. DEAS THOMSON were also carried without division, Mr. DOCKER giving in each case his vote in the negative. Mr. DEAS THOMSON handed in a new clause to follow clause 27. The Chairman left the chair, reported progress.

On Friday, 7th, the Municipal Council of Sydney Powers Extension Bill was read a third time and passed, and returned to the Legislative Assembly.—In committee on the Public Schools Bill, Mr. DEAS THOMSON proposed a new clause, providing that the local patrons or trustees of existing Denominational schools shall have the power of appointing teachers, and their removal, always subject to the approval of the council. The clause was opposed by Mr. DOCKER, Mr. B. RUSSELL, Mr. A. CAMPBELL, and Mr. GORDON. An amendment to the effect that the teachers should be liable to dismissal by the council on failure to give satisfaction to such trustees or council respectively, was suggested by Mr. DOCKER and concurred in by Mr. THOMSON. The PRESIDENT regretted the course pursued by Mr. DOCKER in agreeing with Mr. THOMSON, in amending a bad amendment. However, he felt very sure that the bill would not pass in another place, and to make this more certain the best thing that could be done would be to make the bill as bad as possible. The clause, as amended, was agreed to. The interpretation clause was opposed by Mr. PLUNKETT, but was carried by a majority of 11 to 2. The two last formal clauses were passed, and the bill was reported, and the adoption of the report made an order of the day for Tuesday next—to which day the Council adjourned.

On Tuesday, 11th, on the question for the adoption of the report of the Committee of the Whole on the Public Schools Bill, Mr. TOWNS moved the recommittal of the bill, for the purpose of inserting in the fifth clause an express provision that no member of the Executive Council shall be a member of the Council of Education, but the honorable member also immediately withdrew the amendment. Mr. DEAS THOMSON drew attention to the fact that the seventh clause—"Regulations to have the force of law"—in its present shape, entirely ignored the Governor, the representative of the Queen, and the Executive Council, and expressed his regret that he had not moved an amendment providing that all regulations made by the Council of Education shall be submitted to the Governor and Executive Council before becoming law. The report of the Committee of the Whole on the bill was adopted.

On Wednesday, 12th, the House went into committee on the Postage Bill, and agreed to the first clause repealing existing Acts. On the second clause, the PRESIDENT suggested delay, as he was strongly of opinion that it would be in contravention of the Constitution Act for the Council to proceed with this bill, which was of such a character that it could only be originated in committee of the Legislative Assembly. After a brief discussion, the question was put, on the motion that the Chairman report progress. A division having been called, there were nine on each side, and the Chairman voted with the ayes, consequently the further consideration of the bill was postponed.—Mr. DOCKER moved the third reading of the Public Schools Bill. Mr. PLUNKETT, Mr. G. H. COX, and Mr. GORDON opposed the third reading, and voted against it on division. The third reading was, however, carried by a majority of fourteen.—The Presbyterian College Bill was read a second time, with the understanding that a distant day should be fixed for the consideration in committee to enable members to consider amendments that were to be proposed. The consideration of the bill in committee was fixed for Wednesday next.

On Thursday, 13th, the Newcastle Gas and Coke Company's Bill was read a second time.—The point which arose on Wednesday night, as to the power of the Council to proceed with the Postage Bill, was brought under the notice of the House by the PRESIDENT, who declined to call the order of the House for the further consideration of the bill in committee, unless instructed to do so by the House, holding that, by the first clause of the Constitution, the Council was clearly prohibited from originating such a measure—one of taxation and appropriation. The view taken by the President was strongly supported by Mr. PLUNKETT, Sir WILLIAM MANNING, and Mr. ALLEN. Mr. DOCKER maintained that the House might proceed with the bill, striking out the taxing clauses on the third reading, but made no motion to negative the opinion of the President. The order of the day was not called, and the matter consequently dropped.—The Appropriation Bill and the Public Works Loans Bill were brought up from the Assembly, and read a first time.

On Friday, 14th, the Postage Bill difficulty was finally got rid of, after a long and desultory debate, without question before the House, by Mr. CHISHOLM moving the discharge of the order from the paper, and Mr. DOCKER moving the discharge of the bill. A short bill to effect the most important objects of the measure is to be introduced into the Assembly.—The Lawson's Trust Bill and the Newcastle Gas Company's Bill were taken through committee, and reported without amendments.

On Monday 17th, the Appropriation Bill and the Public Works Loan Bill were taken through committee, and reported without amendments, and read a third time and passed. In the Loans Bill, Mr. A. CAMPBELL proposed to increase the rate of interest to 6 per cent., but the motion was generally opposed, and was eventually withdrawn.—A bill was brought up from the Legislative Assembly to authorise the employment of police in the collection of the electoral roll, and was read a first time.—The Scots' Church Allotment Bill was brought up, and read a first time.—Lawson's Trust Bill, and the City of Newcastle Gas and Coke Company's Incorporation Bill were read a third time and passed.

On Tuesday, 18th, the Electoral Roll Bill was read a second time, Mr. PLUNKETT only offering any positive opposition to it, on the ground that the police should in no circumstances be saddled with any duties which did not specially belong to their office of preserving peace and good order. He at the same time advocated the system of self-registration of votes. Mr. DEAS THOMSON did not oppose the bill, although he was also in favour of the system of self-registration. The PRESIDENT took an objection on constitutional grounds, holding that the police, as a semi-military body, should be excluded from interference in anything connected with the representation of the people, and Mr. OGILVIE, Mr. CHISHOLM, and Mr. GORDON thought some allowance should be made to the police for performing this duty.—The Newcastle Co-operative Steam Navigation Company's Bill was read a second time without remark.—The Exchange of Land Scots Church Legalisation Bill was also read a second time.—A message was announced from the Legislative Assembly, concurring in some of the Council's amendments in the Public Schools Bill, and giving reasons for not concurring with others. The message was ordered to be printed.

On Wednesday, 19th, Mr. DOCKER stated, in reply to a question put by Mr. WEEKES, that the Government did not see its way clear to make any provision for the widow and children of the late Mr. Commissioner Grenfell, without establishing an inconvenient precedent; that the Government was of opinion that it was a case for public sympathy, or direct action on the part of the Legislature.—The bill to authorise the employment of the police in the collection of the electoral roll was reported without amendments.—Mr. DOCKER moved the House into committee for the consideration of the Assembly's message in reference to the Public Schools Bill, and the message having been read to the committee, made a motion agreeing with the message *in toto*. Mr. DEAS THOMSON moved that the amendments be considered seriatim, which was agreed to. Mr. DOCKER then moved that the committee [illegible] insist on the amendment—inserting the words non-vested in the sixth clause—reiterating the reason given in the Assembly's message that the non-vested schools were a third class of schools not contemplated by the bill at all. Mr. DEAS THOMSON maintained that these were not new schools, but had been established under rules made by the National Board, which rules the National Board was authorised by law to make; and to abolish them in the way proposed would be an act of repudiation. Mr. GORDON supported the view taken by the Postmaster-General, pointing out that since the introduction of this bill, however popular these non-vested schools had been before, there had been no petitions to continue them. Sir WILLIAM MANNING had opposed the amendment when proposed by Mr. DEAS THOMSON, and could not be expected to insist upon its being retained now. He repeated the reasons given in former debates for dissenting from Mr. DEAS THOMSON's views. Mr. JAMES MACARTHUR, as one of those who had attached much weight to the introduction of the words non-vested, deemed it necessary to say that, after duly considering the bill, and hearing the arguments of Sir W. Manning, he had been misled as to their importance, and in view of still greater interests, he should vote on the opposite side. The PRESIDENT denied that it was contemplated to force any parents to send their children to the schools established by this bill. All the bill proposed to effect was to provide a system of public education, and those who desired the aid of the State in the education of their children must submit to certain rules under the bill. After some further discussion, the question was put on the amendment, and, on division, there were thirteen in favour of the views of the Assembly, and five against. The Council's amendment on the clause was consequently lost. Mr. DOCKER next proposed that the committee did not insist on its amendments in clause 9, the Legislative Assembly having refused to accept the amendments for reasons stated, to which was added that "the Council's amendments would be held to be fatal to the bill." Mr. DEAS THOMSON adhered to the amendments which the Council had made; and Sir W. MANNING saw difficulty in giving way with respect to this clause, as he considered they were bound to respect the conscientious opinions of those who insisted upon Denominational schools. Mr. DOCKER said the clause would not interfere with existing Denominational schools so long as there were forty scholars, and where there was no school, persons might establish Denominational schools and claim aid from the Government. The PRESIDENT supported the motion for not insisting upon the amendment. After some further debate, the committee resolved to persist in the amendment by a majority of thirteen to eight. The other important amendments as to the number of children (one hundred and twenty), instead of two hundred as proposed by the Assembly, were insisted upon by a majority of 12 to 9. Mr. DOCKER moved the re-insertion of the 10th clause, which had been struck out, and the omission of the new clause which had been introduced by Mr. DEAS THOMSON to carry out his views with respect to non-vested schools. Mr. DEAS THOMSON said that there was a double object in the clause. He was quite willing to strike out the words non-vested, after the decision of the committee; but he must take the sense of the House on the remainder of the clause. Sir W. MANNING thought that the clause introduced by Mr. DEAS THOMSON was not desirable and supported the motion for striking it out, and restoring the tenth clause as proposed in the bill. Mr. PLUNKETT supported the clause which had been inserted on the motion of Mr. DEAS THOMSON. Mr. OGILVIE opposed the amendment made by the Council. Mr. GORDON had thought Mr. DEAS THOMSON's clause so objectionable that after it had been agreed to he took no part in the discussion of the bill. The new clause was struck out by a majority of 14 to 6, and the original tenth clause restored. The committee agreed at once not to insist on the various amendments referring to the insertion of the words non-vested, and the consequential amendments. The amendment, as to the limit "thirty" children in the 7th clause, was insisted on without division; as also 2 in the 30th clause. The CHAIRMAN having reported to the House, a select committee was appointed to draw up reasons.—The House went into committee on the Presbyterian College Bill. Attention having been called to the state of the House, the CHAIRMAN reported, and there not being a quorum, the PRESIDENT adjourned the House.

On Thursday, 20th, Mr. PLUNKETT postponed the Newcastle Co-operative Steam Tug Company's Bill.—The House went into committee on the Scots Church Allotment Bill. In clause 2, Mr. DEAS THOMSON proposed the insertion of the word "Bodies," so as to preserve the rights of the Presbyterian Church, which was objected to by Mr. GORDON, as any amendment at this period of the session would lose the bill. It was pointed out that under the 17th clause of the Acts Shortening Act the second clause was wholly unnecessary, and Mr. DEAS THOMSON withdrew his amendment. The bill was reported without amendments.—The Electoral Roll Bill was read a third time and passed, and returned to the Legislative Assembly without amendments.

THE ASSEMBLY.

On Friday, 23rd November, the Gold Duties Reduction Bill and the Municipal Council of Sydney Powers Extension Bill were read a third time and passed.—The Coal Fields Regulation Act Amendment Bill and the Presbyterian College Bill were read a second time, and passed through committee.

On Monday, 26th, the Coal Fields Regulation Bill, and the Presbyterian College Bill, were severally read a third time and passed.—The House having gone into committee, a resolution was agreed to affirming the expediency of introducing a bill to establish Municipalities.—The House then went into committee of supply. The committee resumed with the consideration of the estimate for the Legislative Council. Mr. DRIVER moved that the item of £1200, the salary of the President of the Legislative Council, be reduced by the sum of £200. Mr. BUCHANAN declined to be a party to a piecemeal retrenchment. Mr. DE SALIS and Mr. R. STEWART supported the motion. Mr. PARKES doubted the policy of interfering with these high official salaries. The motion was negatived by 17 to 9. Mr. DE SALIS moved that the entire vote be reduced by the sum of £451, being the amount of the reduction originally proposed. The motion was negatived. The estimate of £5828 was agreed to as submitted. In the estimate of £8153 for the department of the Legislative Assembly, Mr. DRIVER moved that the item of £1200, the salary of the Speaker, be reduced by the sum of £200. The motion was negatived. Mr. DE SALIS moved that the estimate be reduced by the sum of £540, being the amount of the reduction originally proposed. The amendment was negatived. The estimate, as submitted, was agreed to. In the estimate of £1056 for the joint establishment of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly, Mr. SUTHERLAND moved that the estimate be omitted altogether. The motion was negatived by 23 to 7. The estimate as submitted was agreed to. The estimates of £1711 for the Parliamentary Library, and £3930 for the department of the Chief Secretary, were agreed to. In the estimate of £5544, Mr. DRIVER moved that the estimate be reduced by the sum of £1000. Motion was negatived by 22 to 7. Mr. DRIVER moved that the estimate be reduced by the sum of £500. The motion was negatived by 21 to 6. In the estimate of £3500 for the Naval Brigade, Mr. EGAN moved that the item of £170, the salary of the gunnery instructor, Sydney, be reduced by the sum of £50. The motion was carried by 18 to 15. In the estimate of £138,996 for Police, Mr. DRIVER moved that the estimate be reduced by the sum of £10,000. The motion was opposed by Mr. PARKES and Mr. FORSTER on the ground that the proposed reduction was inequitable. The motion was negatived by 24 to 10. The estimate, as proposed, was agreed to. The following estimates were agreed to:—£7700 for gold and escort, and 4270 for gold receivers. In the estimate of £61,162, for gaols and penal establishments, Mr. DRIVER moved that the item of £100, the salary of visiting surgeon at Parramatta gaol, be reduced by £22. The amendment was negatived by 19 to 12. Mr. J. STEWART moved that the item of £40, the salary of the Church of England chaplain at Parramatta gaol, be reduced by the sum of £15. The motion was negatived by 23 to 7. Mr. DRIVER moved the omission of the item of £75, the salary of the visiting magistrate of Berrima gaol. The motion was negatived by 21 to 11. The estimate was agreed to. The following estimates were agreed to:—£23,987 for lunatic asylums, £2160 for the vaccine institution, £4507 for the department of the Auditor-General, £12,470 for the department of the Registrar-General. In the estimate of £1600 for the Observatory, Mr. J. STEWART moved that the item of £600—the salary of the astronomer—be reduced by the sum of £300. The motion was negatived by 22 to 4. Mr. DRIVER moved the omission of the item of £300, the salary of the assistant to the astronomer. After considerable discussion the motion was negatived by 20 to 6. The estimate, as proposed, was carried by 20 to 6. The following Estimates were agreed to:—£500 for the Museum, £1300 for the department of the Colonial Agent, £90,000 for public instruction. Mr. DRIVER then moved that the Chairman leave the chair, report progress, and ask le

success in all the other Australian colonies. It must be borne in mind that this principle did not apply to the political franchise, as to which there was a manifest objection to its application; but the principle appeared to be unobjectionable where it had reference only to giving property the power to tax property. The bill contained provisions for borrowing money on prospective revenues, and a provision that certain municipalities were not to be prejudiced in their claim to endowment by temporary suspension. Mr. MACPHERSON exposed the diversities of opinion of the members of the present Ministry with reference to the subject of municipal institutions. The present bill was in a great measure Mr. Cowper's bill, with some exceptions, and mainly with reference to the constitution of municipalities, which, he contended, would effectually be prevented from being extended by the operations of this bill. He objected to the clause giving power to the Government to refuse incorporation, which he considered a dangerous power to confer. He should support the second reading of the bill upon certain conditions. Mr. ROBERTSON objected to the principle of a plurality of votes, which he considered to be a novel and dangerous one, having regard to the objects sought to be effected by this bill. Mr. BUCHANAN also objected to the principle of cumulative voting as a dangerous blow to civil liberty. Mr. TIGHE showed that the principle of cumulative voting prevailed in England in the election of poor law guardians and of vestrymen. Mr. GARRETT objected to the power to refuse incorporation, and argued at great length against the principle of cumulative votes. If this principle was adhered to, he should vote against the second reading. Mr. J. STEWART doubted whether this bill would afford facilities for the formation of new municipalities, and he pointed out some objections of detail. Mr. SUTHERLAND would vote for the second reading; but, at the same time, he objected to some of the provisions, and especially the principle of cumulative votes. Mr. FORSTER considered that under the 8th clause many portions of the colony would be excluded from the advantages of municipal government, and that this clause could hardly be deemed an improvement upon the present system. The main principle of the bill was the system of cumulative voting, and he urged numerous objections to it mainly on the ground of its departure from popular principles, being in fact a revolutionary change. The constituencies ought to have been consulted before this change was introduced. Dr. LANG condemned the principle of cumulative voting, holding that property had no special claim to this privilege. The bill was read a second time on a division of 27 to 7.—The House then went into committee *pro forma*, and forthwith resumed. The House then went into Committee of Supply. In the estimate of £73,379 for the Survey department, Mr. DRIVER moved that the first item being the salary of the Surveyor-General be reduced from £1000 to £800. After some discussion as to the conduct of the Survey department generally, the motion was negatived by 21 to 3. Mr. DRIVER moved that the item £600, being the salary of the chief draftsman, be reduced by the sum of £100, being the amount of the proposed increase. Attention being called to the state of the House, the CHAIRMAN reported the fact to the SPEAKER, and upon the House resuming, there not being a quorum, the SPEAKER, declared the House adjourned.

On Tuesday, 4th, Dr. LANG moved that the report of the Commission appointed to inquire into the circumstances of the wreck of the steamship Cawarra was unsatisfactory. He condemned the cupidity and reckless conduct of the company in sending this vessel to sea too deeply laden, and he quoted the evidence taken before the Commission, and especially the evidence of Mr. Dalgleish, in support of this conclusion. The report of the Commissioners left this fact altogether untouched, and in this respect it was not satisfactory. Mr. WILSON cited the evidence to show that there was nothing in it to prove that the vessel was overladen, and, on the contrary, that the loss had arisen from an extraordinary peril of the sea. It was not for this House to give an opinion on the question, which must rest as one upon which no light could be thrown, and he should therefore move the previous question. Mr. ROBERTSON said, there was no proof given that the report was unsatisfactory. These gentlemen had no interest in the inquiry, and they had done their duty to the best of their ability. It was alleged that there were charges against the captain, and this had and probably induced him to brave the inclement weather, and to go to sea in a gale of wind. Mr. J. STEWART considered the report unsatisfactory. Mr. BUCHANAN severely censured the company for their cupidity in overloading the ship, and attributed the disaster entirely to that circumstance. Mr. DE SALIS, though he did not join in the sweeping censures of the last speaker, yet he considered the company to a certain extent to blame. Mr. PIDDINGTON defended the company against the charges of the previous speakers. The fact that the company were their own insurers showed that they had the strongest interest in the preservation of their vessels, and they gave especial injunctions to their captains not to keep too near the land. This report was fully justified by the evidence. He should vote against the previous question, and meet the motion with a direct negative. Mr. HAY considered this one of those questions in which the House ought not be called upon to give an opinion. We could not decide from the evidence before us that the company were to blame. Let the matter rest as one upon which no additional light could be thrown. Mr. R. STEWART and Mr. EGAN considered that this was a question with which it was not competent for this House to interfere, the matter having been already investigated by a competent tribunal. Mr. TUNKS considered that the report was, in some respects, not borne out by the evidence. After a few remarks from Dr. LANG, in reply, it was decided by a division of 32 to 3, that the question should not be put.—A message was received from the Legislative Council returning the Public Institutions Inspection Bill with amendments.

On Wednesday, 5th, the House then went into Committee of Supply. The committee resumed with the consideration of the Estimate for the Survey department. Mr. DRIVER moved that the item of £600, for the salary of the chief draftsman, be reduced successively by the sums of £100 and £99. The first motion was negatived by 21 to 16, and the second by 21 to 15. Mr. J. STEWART moved the omission of the item of £1000 for making a base line for triangulation. After considerable discussion the motion was negatived by 32 to 8. The entire estimate of £73,379 was agreed to. The estimate of £4300, for rent of additional offices, and commission to land agents, &c., was agreed to. The following estimates were agreed to:—£12,640 for the occupation of lands, £3605 for the gold-fields, £8868 for prevention of the scab in sheep, and £300 for inspection of cattle. In the estimate of £1300 for coal-fields, Mr. J. STEWART moved the omission of the item of £600, the salary of the Examiner; but the motion was afterwards withdrawn, and the estimate was agreed to. The following estimates were agreed to:—£3820 for the Botanic Gardens, £2980 for the Government Domains and Hyde Park, £53,287 for minor roads, £204 for the Haslam's Creek General Cemetery, £500 for medicines and medical attendance on the aborigines, and £2000 for miscellaneous services. This concluded the Estimates for the Department of Lands. The Committee then proceeded with the Estimates of the Department of Public Works. In the Estimate of £4350 for the Department of Public Works, Mr. DRIVER moved that the salary of the Secretary for Public Works be reduced by the sum of £500. The Estimate was agreed to. The following Estimate was agreed to—£2200 for the general establishment of railways. In the estimate of £6450 for railway works in progress, Mr. DRIVER moved the omission of the item of £600, the salary of the valuator. After a long discussion, the motion was negatived by 18 to 14. Mr. PIDDINGTON moved the reduction of the item by £300. The motion was negatived by 18 to 13. Mr. DRIVER then moved that the item be reduced by the sum of £100. The motion was carried by 14 to 13. Mr. DRIVER moved the omission of the item of £100 for travelling expenses. The motion was negatived by 15 to 10. Mr. DRIVER moved that the item be reduced by the sum of £50. The motion was negatived by 14 to 10. The item of £1300 for contingencies was reduced by £300. The estimate was agreed to. The CHAIRMAN was then ordered to leave the chair.—The House having gone into Committee, the amendments of the Legislature Council in the Public Institutions Inspection Bill was agreed to.

On Thursday, 6th, Mr. PARKES brought up a bill to regulate the Volunteer Force, which was read a first time.—Upon the motion that the Speaker leave the chair in order that the House go into Committee of Supply, Mr. HART inquired if it were true that the Colonial Secretary had stated that if the Public Schools Bill were not passed in its integrity, the vote for education should not be appropriated. Mr. PARKES said that he had not the power to withhold the appropriation of the vote, and if he had, such a course would be highly imprudent. The House then went into Committee of Supply. The committee resumed with the consideration of the estimate of £101,460 for working expenses of the existing lines of railway. Mr. BYRNES made a lengthy statement with reference to the appointment of the engineer of existing lines, pointing out the advantages which would accrue to the public service from the appointment, and showing the saving which he had already effected in the department, the result of which he estimated to amount to £15,000. Mr. DRIVER moved that the salary of this officer be reduced by the sum of £50, from £550, as proposed. After a long discussion the motion was negatived by 31 to 8. Mr. TUNKS moved that the estimate be reduced by the sum of £10,000. Some discussion ensued as to the present tariff of charges, in the course of which a reduction of the fares was strongly urged by several hon. members as the only mode of making the railway remunerative. Mr. BYRNES declined to give any pledge or assurance on the subject, considering that the present scale of fares ought to have a fair trial. The motion was negatived and the estimate was agreed to as submitted. In the estimate of £15,293, for harbours and river navigation, Mr. DRIVER objected to the item of £200, the stipend of a water bailiff, on the ground of the office being a new and unnecessary one, and moved that it be omitted. The motion was carried by 26 to 13. The reduced estimate was agreed to. In the estimate of £10,800 for public works, the item of £6000 for a harbour refuge at Trial Bay was withdrawn after a short discussion. The reduced estimate was agreed to. The following estimate was agreed to:—£5590 for the Colonial Architect's department. In the estimate of £101,360 for public works and buildings, Mr. J. STEWART moved that the estimate be reduced by £30,000; but, after a long discussion, the motion was withdrawn. Mr. DRIVER moved that the item of £12,000 for ordinary repairs, alterations, and additions to public buildings generally, be reduced by the sum of £4000. The motion was negatived by 28 to 11. Mr. DRIVER then moved that the item be reduced by the sum of £2000. The motion was negatived by 20 to 11. Mr. DRIVER moved that the item of £3000 for providing furniture and fittings for public offices be reduced by the sum of £2000. The motion was negatived by 26 to 10. Mr. LUCAS moved the omission of the item of £5000 for police buildings. The motion was negatived by 29 to 7. Mr. DRIVER moved the omission of the item of £7000 for a new Court-house at West Maitland. The motion was carried by 26 to 10. The reduced estimate of £94,360 was agreed to. In the estimate of £2650 for roads and bridges, Mr. DRIVER moved that the item of £300, the salary of the accountant, be reduced by the sum of £25. The motion was negatived by 24 to 9. The estimate was agreed to. The following estimates were agreed to:—£5700 for superintendence of roads, and £104,534 for construction and maintenance of roads. Mr. DRIVER moved that the Chairman report progress, and ask leave to sit again on Monday next. The motion was negatived by 28 to 4. The following estimates were agreed to:—£30,341 for electric telegraphs, £5447 for the Fitz Roy Dock, £70 for miscellaneous services, and £49,000 for certain public works to be raised by loan. The Chairman was then ordered to report progress.

On Friday, 7th, the City of Newcastle Gas and Coke Company's Incorporation Bill was read a second time and passed through committee.—The House having gone into committee, a resolution was agreed to affirming the expediency of introducing a bill to declare the standard weight of a bushel of maize, wheat, barley, and oats.—Lawson's Trust Bill was read a second time and passed through committee.—Mr. COWPER moved the second reading of the Exchange of Land Scots' Church Legalising Bill. The bill was read a second time, and the House went into committee thereon. Mr. PIDDINGTON addressed the House at great length in opposition to the bill, arguing that Dr. Lang, the promoter, had no legal standing, but was merely a trustee for the original subscribers, and for promoting the objects sought to be attained by them. In the course of the hon. gentleman's address attention was called to the state of the House, and there not being a quorum present, the Chairman reported the fact to the Speaker, who at twenty-five minutes to 8 declared the House adjourned.

On Monday, 10th, Mr. PARKES laid on the table the report from, and evidence taken before, the trustees of the Sydney Grammar School relative to the state and condition of that institution.—Mr. WILSON read a telegram received from the Gold Commissioner at Emu Creek, Weddin Mountain, to the effect that payable gold had been struck on a second creek, which would probably give employment for hundreds of persons, but there were already about five thousand people on the ground, and hundreds were arriving.—The City of Newcastle Gas and Coke Company's Incorporation Bill and Lawson's Trust Bill were read a third time and passed.—The House then went into Committee of Supply. In the estimate of £166,180 for the Post Office, Mr. PARKES read a circular despatch from Lord Carnarvon, inviting a conference on the subject of steam postal communication, and stating that the first two voyages of the Panama steamers were successful in point of speed attained. Mr. DE SALIS addressed the House at great length in condemnation of the Panama route which he pronounced a failure. The estimate was agreed to. The estimate of £2525 for the Money Order Office was agreed to. The House having resumed, a message was read from the Governor, transmitting further Supplementary Estimates for 1865-6, and for 1867. The House again went into Committee of Supply. Upon the first item of £2147 11s. 8d., for interest on overdrawn bank accounts, being proposed, Mr. DE SALIS, Mr. DIGNAM, and other hon. members strongly objected to proceed with this Supplementary Estimate that evening, on account of the short notice at which they had been brought forward; and Mr. DE SALIS moved that the chairman leave the chair, report progress, and ask leave to sit again. Mr. HAY and Mr. WHITE were quite willing to proceed with these Estimates at the present sitting. Mr. DE SALIS's motion was negatived by 22 to 4. Mr. DIGNAM moved that the Chairman leave the chair. The motion was negatived by 25 to 4. Mr. DIGNAM moved that the item be postponed, and addressed the committee in a long and discursive speech. Mr. S. C. BROWN considered that the Government had given no good reason for this opposition to the postponement, as there were other measures on the paper, the Municipalities Bill especially. Mr. MARTIN said it was not for a small minority of three or four members to coerce a majority of three or four and twenty. That majority expressed their willingness to go on with the Estimates that evening. The Government had not misled the House—they announced their intention at the beginning of the session that they would bring forward one measure at a time, and they had passed a greater number of measures than had passed in many previous sessions. Mr. ROBERTSON denied that the Government had passed any measure of importance. Mr. FORSTER considered that the Government had deceived the House in not bringing forward a Land Bill. Mr. DIGNAM again addressed the committee in a long and rambling speech. Mr. WILSON moved that the Chairman leave the chair, report progress, and ask leave to sit again on Wednesday next. The motion was agreed to, and the House resumed.—Mr. WILSON, in moving the second reading of the Minor Roads Laws Amendment Bill, considered that the principles of the bill could be better discussed in committee. While the discussion was proceeding, attention was called to the state of the House, and there not being a quorum present the Speaker, at half-past 10, declared the House adjourned.

On Tuesday, 11th, Dr. LANG made a personal explanation justifying himself against the charge of substituting a Presbyterian College of his own for the bill adopted by the Presbyterian Synod.—Mr. BUCHANAN moved the motion in his name with reference to official pensions. The hon. member was proceeding with his address when attention was drawn to the state of the House, and there not being a quorum present, the SPEAKER, at a quarter-past 4, declared the House adjourned.

On Wednesday, 12th, Mr. WILSON moved that so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would admit of the following bills being introduced and passed through all their stages in one day, viz., the Appropriation Bill of 1866, and the Public Works Loan Bill of 1866. After a brief discussion, the motion was carried by 27 to 7. Mr. PARKES brought up a bill to authorise the employment of the police in collecting the electoral roll. A message was received from the Legislative Council transmitting the Public Schools Bill with amendments. The amendment was negatived by 28 to 7. The House then went into Committee of Supply. The Committee resumed with the consideration of the further supplementary Estimate for 1865-6. The following Estimates were agreed to:—£2147 11s. 8d. interest on overdrawn bank amounts; £200 commission to land agents, £374 for gaols, £4716 18s. 9d. miscellaneous, £352 9s. 9d. law officers of the Crown, £491 13s. 4d. District Courts; £586 17s. 6d. for miscellaneous services in connection with the administration of £350 for the Customs, £112 for harbours, lighthouse, and pilot departments, £1500 for stores and stationery, £1022 7s. 1d. for miscellaneous services in connection with the department of the Colonial Treasurer, £800 commission to land agents, £1629 compensation to gold commissioners for loss of office, £1417 10s. for minor roads, £4000 Haslem's Creek General Cemetery, £200 for miscellaneous services in connection with the Department of Lands, £39 for erecting a monument in honour of the late constable Miles O'Grady, shot by bushrangers. The following additional Estimates for the year 1867 were agreed to:—£315 for clerk to the Private Secretary of his Excellency the Governor, £50 to the Naval Brigade, £150 grants in aid of public institutions, £1000 for charitable allowances, £690 for the expense of copying and printing the electoral lists 1866-7, £500 half-salary of Mr. J. S. Dowling, District Court Judge, during twelve months' leave of absence, £300 for Police Magistrate at Gosford, £175 for Clerk of Petty Sessions at Cooma, £80 for a mooring and warping buoy for Sydney Cove, £4000 for procuring from England a supply of copper coin for general circulation in the colony, £620 for roads and bridges, £670 for miscellaneous services, £1000 to provide screw moorings for Newcastle Harbour, £1000 in aid of the building of St. Vincent's Hospital, £1009 to meet necessary expenses in London and Paris in connection with the representation of the colony at the Paris Exhibition. Mr. J. STEWART moved that the last item be reduced by £999 19s., but the item was carried by 18 to 2. The CHAIRMAN then left the chair, and reported the resolutions from the Committee of Supply. The House having gone into committee, a resolution was agreed to affirming the desirableness of introducing a bill to regulate the Volunteer force, and the bill was subsequently brought in and read a first time.

On Thursday 13th, Mr. FORSTER brought up the report of the Select Committee on the proposed alteration of Electoral Districts.—Mr. DRIVER brought up the report of the Select Committee on the bill to authorise the Corporation of Sydney to raise money for the improvement of the Sydney Common.—The resolutions from the Committee of Supply were received and agreed to. Upon the motion of Mr. WILSON, the order of the day for the resumption of the Committee of Supply was discharged. Upon the motion that the Minor Roads Bill be postponed until after the Municipalities Bill, some discussion arose; several hon. members contending that the former bill ought to be taken first, as there was some prospect of passing it, whereas there was little or no prospect of passing the latter bill this session. The motion for the postponement of the Minor Roads Bill was agreed to. Resolutions from the Committee of Ways and Means granting, for the service of the year 1867, the sum of £1,487,423; for the service of the year 1866 and previous years, the sum of £19,739; and for the service of year 1867, the sum of £49,000, to be raised by loan for certain public works, were severally agreed to. Upon the motion of Mr. WILSON the Order of the Day for the resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means was discharged. Mr. WILSON obtained leave to bring in the Appropriation Bill of 1866, and the Loan Bill of 1866; and the bills were severally brought in and subsequently passed through all their remaining stages. Mr. PARKES moved the second reading of a bill to authorise the employment of the police in collecting the electoral roll, and stated that it was expected that a saving of £4000 or £5000 per annum would be effected by the proposed change. The bill was opposed by Mr. FORSTER, Mr. GARRETT, Mr. R. STEWART, and other hon. members; and was supported by Mr. ROBERTSON and Mr. J. STEWART. Mr. MARTIN defended the provisions of the bill. The bill was read a second time, and its committal was fixed for a later hour of the evening. The House then went into committee on the Municipalities Bill. Clauses 1 and 2 were agreed to after some discussion. In clause 3, providing that certain municipalities should not be prejudiced in their claim to endowment by temporary suspension, Mr. TIGHE moved as an amendment the omission from the clause of the words "which were interrupted in their proceedings, and temporarily suspended in consequence of the judgment of the Supreme Court in Berry v. Graham." Mr. PARKES opposed the amendment, the omission of the words tending to make the clause unintelligible. The amendment was withdrawn. The clause was agreed to. Clause 4 was postponed. Clauses 5, 6, and 7 were agreed to. In clause 8, Mr. MACPHERSON objected to the clause, as preventing many districts from incorporating themselves under this Act. The hon. member was proceeding with his address, when Mr. PARKES said he observed a manifest disinclination to proceed with the bill that evening, or indeed to proceed with it at all, and he therefore moved that the Chairman leave the chair, report progress, and ask leave to sit again on Monday next, which motion was agreed to. The House then went into committee on the Electoral Roll Bill. In proposing the first clause Mr. PARKES replied to the objections which had been made to the employment of the police in this duty, showing that the police were the most efficient, the most disinterested, and the least expensive class in the community to employ. Mr. FORSTER reiterated his objections to the bill, and said that he should divide the House against the clause. Mr. ISAACS defended the employment of the police. Mr. MACPHERSON supported the bill. The clause was carried by 19 to 2. The remaining clauses were agreed to, and the bill was reported with amendments.

On Friday, 14th, the SPEAKER read a communication from Mr. James Ruthven Kemp, resigning his seat for the electoral district of Bathurst. Upon the motion of Mr. PARKES, the seat was declared vacant.—The House having gone into committee, Mr. FORSTER moved the adoption of an address to the Governor, praying that his Excellency will cause to be placed on the Estimates a sum not exceeding £5000 for the purpose of opening or improving the navigation of the River Macleay. After a brief discussion, the motion was carried by 21 to 12.—Mr. PIDDINGTON moved the second reading of the Standard Weight of Grain Bill, and pointed out the very objectionable nature of the present system of buying and selling by a double standard. The present bill made it compulsory to sell by weight. The second reading was carried by 19 to 9. The House then went into committee on the bill. After some discussion upon clause 1, Mr. OATLEY moved that the Chairman leave the chair, report progress, and ask leave to sit again this day month. The motion was carried by 19 to 11. The bill was therefore lost.—The House then went into committee for the further consideration of the Exchange of Land Scots' Church Sydney Legalising Bill. Upon clause 1 being proposed, Dr. LANG defended himself at great length against the charges made by Mr. Piddington. The clause was carried by 20 to 2. The remaining clause and the schedule were agreed to, and the bill was reported without amendment.—The House then went into committee for the consideration of an address to the Governor for a sum of £200 as compensation to William Morris, of Mudmelong, in the district of Braidwood, for losses sustained by him from the repeated robberies by the outlaw Clarke, and his gang. The hon. member detailed the particulars of the several robberies, and urged that it was a fitting case for compensation. Mr. PARKES opposed the motion. The hon. member was proceeding with his address, when attention was called to the state of the House, and there not being a quorum present, the Chairman reported the fact to the Speaker, who declared the House adjourned.

On Monday, 17th, the Electoral Rolls Bill and the Exchange of Land Scots' Church Sydney Legalising Bill were read a third time and passed.—Upon the motion that the Speaker leave the chair in order that the House go into committee to consider the amendments of the Legislative Council in the Public Schools Bill, Mr. MACPHERSON addressed the House at some length, and expressed his assent to the bill in its amended form. Mr. ROBERTSON thought that the Government ought to let the House know what course they meant to take with reference to these amendments. Mr. PARKES admitted that the bill stood in a very different position from that in which it left that House, and so far as regarded his personal feelings, he should feel better satisfied if the bill came to an end. But it would be an undignified and unwise course to refuse to consider these amendments, for however much he might object to the constitution of the Upper House, still it was a co-ordinate branch of the Legislature, and was entitled to be treated with proper respect. The Government were prepared to make some concessions to the other House. To some of the amendments they were disposed to agree absolutely; from others in an equally unqualified degree they were disposed to dissent. In assenting to any of the amendments of the Legislative Council, it was proposed not to depart from any of the main principles of the bill. Several hon. members having addressed the House, Mr. PARKES moved that the amendments in clause 1—omit "together with the Colonial Secretary for the time being," and "of which the Colonial Secretary shall *ex officio* be President," be agreed to. The motion was agreed to. The following amendments were agreed to—clause 3, line 3, after "crown" insert "or otherwise," and clause 5, lines 23 and 24, omit "other than the Colonial Secretary." Mr. PARKES moved that the House disagree to the following amendment—clause 6, line 38, after "notified" insert "non-vested and." The motion was carried by 27 to 15. The remaining amendments in the clause were agreed to. In clause 9, lines 12 to 14, omit "in any locality where a public school may be established which has in attendance thereat not less than seventy children." Mr. PARKES moved that the amendment be disagreed to. He had stated in his speech on moving the second reading that this was the soul of the bill, preventing small and inefficient schools from competing with the public schools to be established by the bill, and it was only right to inform the committee that if this amendment was persisted in, the Government would not proceed further with the bill. Mr. MACPHERSON, Mr. DE SALIS, and Mr. HART supported the amendment, which was opposed by Mr. LLOYD, Mr. J. STEWART, and Mr. S. C. BROWN. After some further discussion, the motion for disagreement with the amendment was carried by 26 to 15. In the same clause, line 15, Mr. PARKES moved that the following amendment be disagreed to—before "Denominational" insert "non-vested or." The motion was agreed to. In the same clause the amendment of the insertion of the word "such" in the 15th line was also disagreed to. In lines 15 and 16 the omission of the words "situated not more than five miles from such public school" was disagreed to on a division of 28 to 12. Mr. PARKES moved that the amendment altering the number of children in attendance at the Denominational and public school from 200 to 120, be disagreed to. The motion was carried by 21 to 19. In line 23 of the same clause, the following amendments were disagreed to—line 23, after "certified" insert "non-vested and," and after "shall" insert "except as herein excepted." The remaining amendment in the clause was agreed to. The amendment, adding a new clause 10, and omitting former clause, was rejected on a division of 23 to 16. The amendment omitting clause 16, which provided that fixed salaries be paid to teachers, was carried on a division of 28 to 6. The amendment in clause 16, line 18, after "certified," insert "non-vested and" was disagreed to. The amendment in line 19 was agreed to. The several remaining amendments having reference to "non-vested schools" were disagreed to. The amendment in clause 17, line 28, "between 5 and 14 years of age," was agreed to. The amendment in clause 17, line 31, after "shall insert on such inability being shown in such manner as to the Council of Education shall seem reasonable," was agreed to. The new clause 26 was agreed to. In clause 28, line 58, the amendment to omit "forty" and insert "thirty," was disagreed to by the casting vote of the Chairman. The new clause 28 was disagreed to by 20 to 14. In clause 30, line 15, the amendment to omit "forty" and insert "thirty," was carried by 17 to 15. The question that the Chairman leave the chair, and report that the committee had agreed to some and disagreed to other amendments, was carried by 19 to 14.—Messages were received from the Legislative Council returning the Newcastle Gas and Coke Company's Incorporation Bill, Lawson's Trust Bill, the Appropriation Bill, and the Loan Bill, without amendment.

On Tuesday, 18th, Mr. PARKES moved that a message be sent to the Legislative Council, intimating that the Legislative Assembly had agreed to some of the amendments of the former body, in the Public Schools Bill, and dissented to others, and stating the grounds of such dissent. The motion was carried by 21 to 9.—Mr. MACLEAY moved that the report of the select committee appointed to inquire into and report upon the distress at present existing among the working classes be now adopted. The hon. gentleman quoted from the evidence appended to the report to show that the allegations of extensive and widespread distress were not exaggerated, and that the committee was justified in its report that there were not less than 3000 men out of employment. He argued that this distress was mainly attributable to the cessation of manufacturing industry, and he quoted largely from the report to show that the trades of cabinetmaking, boot and shoe making, and the manufactures of articles of clothing had suffered from foreign competition, and that such trades could be carried on equally well in this colony, and could furnish employment for a large number of people. He argued further that the decline of our manufactures closed the door to a large number of the youth of this colony who were growing up in idleness, and prevented parents from apprenticing their children to trades. The hon. member justified the recommendations of the report, which were to impose ad valorem duties of 20 per cent. on timber, furniture, carriages, and certain other specified articles, arguing that the limitation of imports would furnish immediate employment to a large number of people. Mr. PARKES submitted that the report of the committee, in recommending an increase of taxation, could not be submitted in this form. Mr. SPEAKER ruled that the adoption of the report ought, as recommending increased taxation, to be originated in committee of the whole House. After some discussion it was, with the consent of the House, determined that the resolution should be submitted in the form of a motion that the House go into committee to consider the report of the committee. Mr. JOSEPH contended that the evidence upon which the report was based was wholly one-sided, and went to establish a foregone conclusion. The existence of distress was readily to be accounted for in one or two bad seasons, and in the general depression of trade, which invariably more or less affected labour. Yet we heard from various parts of the colony that labour was deficient, and in many places manufactories were at a standstill for want of labour. Combinations of working men to keep up wages were largely prevalent in this city, and the hon. member gave some instances within his own knowledge. The shipping trade was checked by our present system of ad valorem duties, which forced ships to go to other ports to refit. The hon. gentleman quoted from the report to show the one-sided character of the evidence, and he showed that there were manufactures already existing without protection. Mr. R. STEWART argued at some length that this country never could become prosperous without manufactures, and that manufactures could not grow up except under a system of protection. Mr. LUCAS adopted the same view. Mr. MARTIN said that the Government would support the motion for going into committee without pledging themselves to support the adoption of the report. Mr. FORSTER considered that the evidence was a little exaggerated, and not altogether to be depended upon. The hon. member was proceeding with his address, when attention was called to the state of the House, and there not being a quorum present, the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned.

On Wednesday, 19th, Mr. WILSON moved that so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would admit of a bill to amend the Postage Acts being passed through all its stages in one day. He said this was not the same bill as had been introduced into the Legislative Council, but a new bill to make provision for one or two pressing matters, and especially to provide that letters posted to other countries than the United Kingdom should not pass through the Imperial Post Office. Mr. FORSTER said that no ground for asking the House to suspend the Standing Orders had been shown. This House showed a greater indifference to its privileges than the Legislative Council. After some further discussion, the motion was negatived by 22 to 12. The House having gone into committee, a resolution was agreed to affirming the propriety of introducing a bill to amend the Postage Acts.—The House then went into committee on the Municipalities Bill. The committee resumed with the consideration of clause 8. Mr. DRIVER said that in order to determine whether the Government were in earnest in going on with this bill, he would move that the Chairman leave the chair, report progress, and ask leave to sit again this day week. Mr. PARKES accepted the challenge, and said that the Government were quite willing to bring the matter to this test of the willingness of hon. members to proceed with the bill, and all those who did not so wish would vote for the hon. member's motion. The Government were quite willing to go on with the bill, if a quorum could be kept together, and sit on after Christmas for the purpose. A very long and warm debate ensued, in the course of which the Government were taunted with a want of sincerity and general indifference to the measure, and with raising a false issue in order to get rid of it. Several hon. members expressed their desire to go on with the measure, while others doubted the practicability of its becoming law this session. Mr. Driver's motion was negatived by 18 to 12. The clause was then proceeded with. Mr. MACPHERSON reiterated his objection to the clause, that under it the greater part of the colony would be shut out from incorporation. Mr. J. STEWART moved that the Chairman leave the chair, report progress, and ask leave to sit again this day month. The motion was negatived by 17 to 14. Mr. LUCAS moved that the chairman leave the chair, report progress, and ask leave to sit again this day six months. The motion was carried by 18 to 17. The bill was therefore lost.—Mr. WINDEYER moved the adjournment of the House for the purpose of bringing under notice the conduct of the visitor of one of our public institutions, his Excellency the Governor. Mr. MARTIN submitted that the motion should be made upon notice. The SPEAKER ruled that the hon. member was not limited in his right to use a motion for adjournment for any purpose. Mr. WINDEYER then proceeded to comment upon the conduct of the Governor in the strictures made by his Excellency upon the management of the Sydney Grammar School, in a speech delivered by him upon a recent occasion. The hon. member was proceeding with his address when attention was called to the state of the House, and there not being a quorum the SPEAKER, at ten minutes past 9, declared the House adjourned.

On Thursday, 20th, a message was received from the Legislative Council accompanying the Public Schools Bill, and stating that some of the amendments made by that House were waived and others were insisted on. Mr. PARKES moved that the House go into committee to consider that message. The motion was agreed to, and the House went into committee. Mr. PARKES stated the course which the Government intended to take with reference to these amendments. They intended to insist upon their disagreement to the two amendments in the 9th clause, and to retain the words which had been struck out by the Legislative Council—"in any locality where a public school may be established, which has in attendance thereat not less than seventy children" and "situated not more than five miles from such public school." The other amendments would be agreed to. Mr. MACPHERSON addressed the House at great length in support of the amendment of the Legislative Council. Mr. WHITE said that he thought opposition had been carried quite far enough, and that he accepted the bill as the nearest approach practicable to Denominational education. After some further discussion, the question that this House insists on its disagreement to the amendment in clause 9, lines 12-14 was carried by 20 to 11. The question that this House insist on its disagreement to the amendment in clause 9, lines 15-16, was carried by 24 to 12. The remaining amendments were agreed to. A message was ordered to be transmitted to the Legislative Council, stating that the Assembly insisted on its disagreement to some amendments, and agreed to others.—The Minor Roads Laws Amendment Bill and the Volunteer Force Regulation Bill were discharged.—The Sydney Common Improvement Bill was read a second time, and passed through committee.

REVIEW.

Literature of New South Wales, by G. B. BARTON. By Authority. Sydney: Thomas Richards, Government Printer. 1866.

FROM the dedication of this book to Mr. T. A. Murray, the Executive Commissioner for the International Exhibition, we gather that the idea of compiling it was suggested by him as a fitting contribution towards the Paris display. For historical purposes it is well that records should be preserved of the first tentative movements of literature in our young country; yet, pressed as the Commission is said to be for funds, it was scarcely worth while to spend so much money as the printing of this work must have cost, especially, as according to the editor, our display of literature is so miserably small.

The facts relating to the various publications that have appeared in the colony are already slipping from the memory of the inhabitants, and the editor states that he has had much trouble in gathering up those he has recorded. He has produced the completest record we have of our local literature, though we notice several errors, both of omission and commission, which might have been avoided by inquiry at the proper quarters. But the ground had been prepared for him by the late Judge Wise, who was an enthusiastic collector of local literature, and to whose labours Mr. Barton's book owes much of the value it possesses.

It would have been in better taste, and in more strict fulfilment of the task imposed upon him, if Mr. Barton had strictly confined himself to the duties of an historiographer and abstained from remarks more suited to a party pamphlet. As being reader in English literature at the University, he was probably chosen as suitable to edit such a work; but he has obviously exhibited one special unfitness. He has written the *story* of a literature he cannot admire, and the young efforts of a people for whose defective patronage he has little to say but condemnation. The introduction to his book is written in a querulous tone, which we partly account for by his own personal experiences. Possessed of good abilities, and having received and done justice to a good literary education, he has been disabled unfortunately by a physical infirmity from achieving that success at the bar, to which he might otherwise have reasonably aspired; and no compensating literary career seems as yet to have opened out for him. He was, however, accommodated with an easy situation in the Stamp Office, which if retained would have allowed him reasonable leisure to cultivate the muses. But he nettled the Government by holding them up to ridicule in print, and his secret was disclosed from a quarter where he had reposed confidence. This brought him under an official rule, and cost him his office. That he should lose his situation in such a way is somewhat calculated to sour his temper, and to make him grumble at the treatment of literary men in the colony. But the colony is not altogether going to the dogs because Mr. Barton is "a man that hath had losses;" and we deprecate his gloomy comments on our want of literary appreciation, and still more their being sent home endorsed "by authority!" The colony must be judged as a colony, and not as an old country. The æra of founding a country has never been an Augustan age of literature. The national energy finds a practical vent, and it is in the nature of things that it should be so. If we are not very literary in the present generation we are preparing the way for a generation that may be. Mr. Barton himself states this excuse, though he grumbles notwithstanding. Yet even in his record of our material progress he cannot help displaying his want of judgment. For among our other achievements he says that we have "built a city surpassed in beauty by no city on the earth!" That Sydney occupies an incomparable site for a city we admit, but that we have done justice to the site is not true. Happily the old and ugly buildings that disfigure our thoroughfares are slowly giving place to others of a worthy description. But to tell the Parisians—who may, perhaps, justly pride themselves on having the finest city in the world—that ours is not surpassed by theirs in beauty, and to have this statement sent forth "by authority," is simply to make ourselves ridiculous. Nothing is more likely to bring deserved suspicion on all the other judgments pronounced in the book.

Mr. Barton gives an account, though it is an incomplete one, of the literary importations into the colony, and this is equal, we venture to say, both in quantity and quality, to the literary consumption of any country or district of equal population in the mother country. The average literary reading of the colonists will compare with the similar average reading of a mixed town and country British population. But we stand condemned, according to Mr. Barton, because we do not forsake British literature for local literature. Why should we, till the latter is equal to the former? What should we gain in a literary point of view if our reading public fed themselves with inferior pabulum? Why should their judgment be censured for getting the best article their money can buy? The English periodicals in his list could not afford to exist on their purely colonial circulation. If we produced them of equal quality, and gave all our patronage to the local articles, we still could not support them on a sound commercial footing.

The only form of literary adventure which is naturally self-supporting in a young country is the newspaper, and of these there is no lack. But the demand for newspapers is a demand for information and for a vehicle for discussion on passing topics of public interest. A newspaper may be more or less a literary publication, but that is secondary and incidental to its main function. As a matter of fact, newspapers do give scope and occupation to many able writers, but this is the case only in proportion as they can subordinate their talent to the special requirements of a daily or weekly journal. The excellence of anything depends upon its fitness for its end. To judge of newspaper writing from the point of view of *belles lettres* is to mistake the function of a journal. Good newspaper writing is good writing for the purposes of a newspaper, just as a good speech at the bar is one that is good for the purposes of the trial irrespective of its merits as judged of by a professor of rhetoric. Some clever writers have not the special journalistic talent, and the several attempts that have been made to float a new journal on the strength of the cleverness of the several contributors, have nearly all failed.

Few, if any, men of talent have vainly sought journalistic occupation in Australia, if to competent literary abilities they have added those qualities of steadiness, temperance, and conscientiousness which are valuable in the eyes of a newspaper proprietor. Literature is now a profession—not to say a trade—and those who pursue it must submit to the inexorable conditions which determine worldly success. If, with ill-regulated habits, they rebel against those conditions, they are not entitled to complain if they fail to achieve the position to which their talents would entitle them.

But though the production of literature is not the special end of a newspaper, a great deal of respectable literature is produced by newspapers, and the literary class finds in them at times no contemptible support. There are very few writers of ability in this colony (including those so proclaimed by Mr. Barton), who have not at some time or other found the columns of the *Sydney Morning Herald* a convenient outlet.

Mr. Barton happens not to have been one of them, and we are not surprised therefore that he should have formed a low estimate of the ability displayed in our columns. We have not the slightest intention of disputing his opinion on that point. But our readers ought, perhaps, to see the following passage, in which Mr. Barton accounts for the large circulation of the *Herald*, for it is a nice sample of his eye for facts, his insight into causes, and his severe logic:—

"Its Toryism has increased in a direct ratio to the Radicalism of the Constitution, and its prosperity has increased in a direct ratio to its Toryism. The fact is striking and important. It might have been imagined that, however profitable the advocacy of Toryism may have been in former times, it would have ceased to be so on the

FIGURES AND FACTS.

THE paper of Mr. ROLLESTON, the Auditor-General, in Monday's issue, on the Statistics of the Colony before the Royal Society (now so called) will afford much satisfaction. The general views expressed by it are not unfamiliar to the readers of this journal. During the time of panic, and through the period of depression, we have often called attention to the same subjects. Mr. ROLLESTON, in this elaborate paper, has exhibited abundant evidence that, whatever difficulties may perplex the path of some or privations fall to the lot of others, the colony itself cannot be said to show any symptoms of permanent decline. It must not be forgotten that all communities, commercial or otherwise, have their seasons of difficulty and derangement. Where there is no commerce indeed this difficulty often amounts to misery to those who are thrown out of occupation by failure of harvest or any other cause. They have sometimes to submit to the most dreadful privations. Commerce, however, has prevented this suffering, and thus, although there may be embarrassment in financial affairs, and a suspension of vigorous industry, we do not see, and are not likely to meet with anything approaching to that mass of suffering which in such countries results from alternations of fortune. It is, however, a great mistake to imagine that any kind of calling will be exempt from vicissitudes. The over-production of a manufacturing people often produces short hours and low wages, and sometimes throws the classes dependent upon the loom or the forge upon the parish. Indeed, the unlimited power of supply which results from the new applications of machinery must, to some extent, be exposed to the inconvenience of a glut; and thus, while warehouses are breaking down with the weight of finished articles, the distant markets may open no outlet for relief.

All these pauses in the prosperity of a country whose interests are fixed upon the basis of free industry are transient. Probably the intercourse of nations, and the rapid communication of information in reference to the state of markets, will both stimulate the enterprise of each, and relieve the accidental derangements in the adjustment of production and supply.

As we refer our readers to Mr. ROLLESTON'S paper, it is unnecessary that we should copy his figures. There are some, however, that seem to afford a still more encouraging aspect than hitherto assumed. The pastoral returns, as given by the REGISTRAR-GENERAL, have not yet been completed, and thus we shew a lower amount. Mr. ROLLESTON takes, as his starting point in this and other branches of our statistics, the year 1860. He shews that, after the separation of Queensland from this territory, our flocks have increased at the rate of one million annually, and that at the present moment we have not less than 11,100,000 sheep, — an increase of nearly 6,000,000 in six years. It is good to see that the settlers in the far interior are endeavouring to obtain water by other means than brooks and rivers. No one can tell how large the increase of flocks and herds may be if this essential to pastoral pursuits is encouraged by fair indemnities carried on in a scientific manner. It is shewn beyond doubt that the fall of rain in the colonies is amply sufficient, if properly stored, to yield in many instance a competent supply, and in others that springs are to be found at a moderate depth.

Some of our readers will remember the mournful picture drawn by Sir WILLIAM DENISON of our prospects as "beef eaters." Just as they are proclaiming in England the insufficiency of their coal mines to supply future generations we were informed that the time would come when meat would be a luxury. Some seventy years before, a gentleman of the same profession announced to the world the same prophecy when the community was little more than 2000. As to growing corn, he looked upon the idea as absurd, and meat still more so. It will be gratifying to Sir W. DENISON to find that the sheep and cattle have since he left us increased much faster than the people, notwithstanding the demand occasioned by a very large immigration and the distant colonies. Excepting in a season of drought the supply of meat has been such as to place it, at a cheap rate, within the reach of all industrious families. Without, however, depending upon the quantity produced under the present system of sheep farming, we can have no doubt that improved methods of supplying water, and fencing land, will enable the colonies to meet the requirements of any probable multiplication of the people. While our population is increasing 22 per cent. our sheep have increased nearly fifty per cent., without speaking of cattle. What, however, is still more noticeable is that the sheep in Victoria have increased from some four and a half millions to six and a half millions, shewing that even where the territory is much more limited and the population greater, the supply advances far ahead of the demand.

We are sometimes told that the country has been ruined by the importations of wheat. We believe that farmers have suffered much by attempting cultivation in districts not suited to its growth. In these statistics we have the remarkable fact that the value of exported maize during the last year amounted to £202,000. There are seasons, doubtless, when we may calculate upon a wheat crop; but the experience of the colony upon the whole, from its foundation, has shewn that the cultivation of wheat is attended with great uncertainty; and we have clear evidence that there are many profitable crops which are likely to afford, by the aid of commerce, a remunerating price. When flour fluctuates between £10 and £100 per ton, as we have seen it, with all the intermediate variations, it seems to be a clear intimation that there are few districts where it is safe to make the growth of wheat the principal dependence of the farmer.

Mr. ROLLESTON notices the signs of luxury and abundance which are so often presented in this community. No doubt, the rapidity with which wealth is sometimes acquired, and the carelessness with which it is risked and lost, gives to our social life too many of the "ups and downs." We suspect, however, that there is a vast change in the whole civilised world in this respect. What is passing here happens in every great city of Europe. Fortune is suddenly acquired, wastefully applied, and often recklessly ventured, and then miserably lost. Whatever may be its ultimate issue, the old habits of society have undergone a tremendous mutation. Nothing is impossible to any man. The examples are innumerable of lucky ventures, of sudden rise from straitened to affluent circumstances, and of that peacock style of display which all parvenus are prone to seek, intoxicated by the suddenness of wealth and with the new position they anticipate in the social world. Then comes the tumbling down, sometimes from their folly, sometimes from misfortune, commonly from that interlacing of commercial interests by which the position of one man depends upon the sober judgment and honest intentions of another. If those who wheel a barrow one year *may* loll in a chariot the next, it is also recollected that there is often a rapid descent from the chariot to the wheelbarrow. We have seen such fortunes rise and crumble in innumerable instances. A skittle ground hardly displays a position more hazardous or a fall more general than we have seen on several occasions in the Australian colonies. But it is perfectly true that to a great extent these changes of fortune are but a settling of accounts, an adjustment of balances, a putting of things right that have got disorderly and disorganised. The House built by the opulent man in the days of his abundance passes to the highest bidder, who buys it at a rate as low as the other built at a rate too high, and so persons change their conditions, and their possessions pass from one to another. But the property itself continues, and is improved with that vigour which is commonly the result of a new acquisition. The moral accompaniments of commercial depression indeed are often terrible. Any examination of our statistics will shew that there has been an uninterrupted increase and expansion of colonial enterprise and power, suspended only as night is an interruption of the daylight, and always followed by a new dawn.

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THE WAR IN NEW ZEALAND

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

NELSON, November 21.

THE very threatening cloud which I spoke of in my last as overhanging our prospects in native affairs has not as yet come to anything. It is not, however, clear whether it is still gathering or whether it may be to some extent passing away harmlessly. I mentioned to you the other day that the Hawke's Bay settlers had once more been called out under arms, in anticipation of a new invasion from hostile natives. The very act of assembling in arms appears to have proved sufficient to make the natives reconsider the position, and finally disperse without doing anything. This is one good result of the policy of fighting our own battles, and it may possibly prove in this way worth the £70,000 which the first fortnight's amateur campaigning at Hawke's Bay cost the colony.

At Wanganui and Taranaki nothing more has been done, and but little can be effected from a variety of causes. The first of these is that which I spoke of in a former communication—the removal of nearly all the fighting men to some other field of operations. After staying at Wanganui for about three weeks in the hope of effecting something or receiving somebody's submission, the Governor came back to Wellington entirely disappointed. For the first time in Sir George Grey's experience he could not get a single Maori even to say he would be loyal.

At Tauranga, a survey has been completed under the protection of the military force, and another is to be proceeded with as soon as a party of 100 Waikato militia men, told off for that duty, can manage to erect a redoubt on the land as a protection to the survey party. So far, it is satisfactory to find that the threat of bloodshed has not been carried out at Tauranga by the natives.

On the Waikato frontier, also, there appears to be a risk of a new complication, owing to the expressed intention of Rewi and the King party to oppose *vi et armis* the occupation of the sheep and cattle runs rented by Europeans from the native owners whose titles have been ascertained by the native Land Courts. It is said the proprietors (native) of the lands have replied to the threats of the King's party by an expression of intention to defend the lands if they are meddled with. If they would really do this, no doubt a very great step would be gained, but it may be feared that they are too weak in numbers, and besides, too little loyal at heart to care to risk very much for the sake of protecting the cattle and sheep of their tenants, of which they could, doubtless, secure an equitable share from the invaders.

The Governor has left Wellington in H.M.S. Challenger for the East Coast, whence, if possible, he will penetrate to Taupo, across the island.

AUCKLAND, November 30.

Since my last letter nothing of much importance has happened in connection with native affairs. At Hawke's Bay the insurgents appear for the present to be satisfied with the decisive repulse which they experienced. Yet, there are still rumours of wars in that quarter, ominous threatenings of further attacks to be made in the Pakeha settlements. It is quite probable, however, that a good deal of talk will be accomplished before anything else is attempted in a quarter where the allied colonial and native forces have shewn themselves so prompt and efficient.

From the West Coast there is no news worth recording.

In the Province of Auckland the two points of chief interest from their relation to native matters are Tauranga and Waikato. The security of the latter district from attack or invasion depends, in all probability, upon the success or failure of the scheme of military agricultural settlers. If the disbanded militiamen are able, as a general rule, to maintain themselves on their allotments, and to get their farms and gardens into a self-supporting and thriving condition, then they will have something worth defending, and most certainly they will not allow the Maories to take away from them the fruit of their labour and industry. But if the greater number of them find that the difficulties of settlement are too great for their means and abilities, and if they are induced to part with their allotments to speculative capitalists, so that a sparse population only is left in the more advanced positions, the temptation to the natives will be strong, and there is no saying how soon we may have to begin our work over again.

At Tauranga things seemed a short time ago rather threatening. The difficulty arose, so far as one can understand these things, from the inveterate propensity of the Maori to repudiate a land bargain, and to swindle the pakeha by every means in his power. In this case a party of Government surveyors was threatened by the natives, and the survey had to be completed under the protection of an armed force. The natives made a threatening demonstration, but ultimately dispersed. This mischievous attempt is attributed by some, and the satisfactory result by others, to the agency of the notorious chief William Thompson. I think the probability is that Thompson desires peace, and does his best to preserve it.

NELSON, December 5.

The Maori King has followed up his pacific advice to the Wanganui natives by sending a message to the Government to say that he is going to give up fighting—rather a strange statement, as neither he nor his own people have been fighting for a couple of years or so. And that he is about to return to Kawhia where he wishes the Governor to follow him when he comes to that part of the country. The thing sounds almost too fair and it would be even more suspicious than it now is if it were not that in every case in which we have been defeated by Maories it has turned out afterwards that they were on the very eve of running away or giving in as the case might be. It may be that the Ngatimaniopoto tribe is at last giving in, but it is more likely that we are only being led astray as Maories do so love to lead Europeans by false rumours. It is now expected that Sir George Grey will if possible make his way across the country first to Taupo and then towards Kawhia if he is himself satisfied that enough is meant to warrant him in trusting his person amongst the natives.

Troops have been sent it appears to Opotiki, south, it will be remembered, of Tauranga, and the scene of Mr. Volkner's murder. The object is not clear, but it may be supposed to have reference to the movement of the wild Huwera tribe in the interior, who have always supported Kereopa and fanatics of his stamp. The Opotiki lands confiscated to the extent of half a million of acres, are being surveyed, and it may be thought necessary to prevent aggression by placing more force in the neighbourhood.

POLITICAL.

IT is expected that to-day the prorogation of Parliament will be an accomplished fact. Hon. members whose services to the public involve a real personal sacrifice anticipate the event with satisfaction; but it is not hailed with pleasurable emotions by those who make politics a trade—who raise their voices when the opening speech is discussed, and cease not until they are released from their parliamentary duties. Many of the country members have long since gone to their farms and their merchandies, and it has often been found difficult to keep a House together for the dispatch of necessary business. There has been, of course, a "slaughter of the innocents," and the conduct of the Government has been called in question by the Opposition for the manner in which the business has been conducted. The Ministers were blamed for allowing several months to elapse before tackling the Estimates, and for not introducing several important measures which they had promised to bring in. It was also alleged that the Government had not properly used its influence to hasten other bills of consequence which had passed through several stages. The Government expressed themselves willing to sit as long as a quorum could be found to complete the business; but it must have been evident to them that the feeling of a majority was that, at whatever sacrifice, the prorogation should take place before Christmas. The Standing Orders were suspended in both Houses to facilitate the passing of the Appropriation Bill and the Loan bill. These were perfected some days since; and the Parliament has been kept in session chiefly by a difference of opinion between the two Houses in regard to the Public Schools Bill.

Last month this bill was sent to the Legislative Council. An amendment was made in the Upper House to refer it to a select committee. If this had been carried, the measure would have been shelved for the session; but, after a long debate, it was negatived by a majority of ten to three, and the second reading was agreed to. In committee, the Council made some important alterations and some improvements. They struck out the Colonial Secretary as *ex officio* President of the Board of Education. They reduced the number of scholars required before Denominational schools could be certified within certain distances of public schools, and made non-vested schools subject to the same regulations. They also changed the character of the clause—the practical effect of which would have been to abolish school fees, and inserted the following:—"No child shall be refused admission into a public school or a certified non-vested or Denominational school on account of the refusal or neglect of the parent or guardian of such child to pay the fees due for the education of such child, but all fees so due may be recovered by a proceeding in the name of the Council of Education before any Justice or Justices of the Peace in a summary way." They also reduced the number of scholars required to prevent the withdrawal of a certificate from a Denominational school by reason of the falling off in attendance at a public school. "Thirty" was inserted instead of "forty." The Assembly agreed to many of the amendments of the Council and disagreed from others, on the ground that it was undesirable to introduce a third class of schools (non-vested), and because they were in violation of one of the main objects of the bill, which was to promote economy, combined with efficiency, in the public school expenditure, by imposing limits to the multiplication of small and badly taught schools. The amendment reducing the number of scholars required for the certification of Denominational schools, was regarded as one which, if insisted upon, would be fatal to the bill. The Council, on Wednesday last, however, insisted on their amendments as regarded a reduction of the numbers, because the non-existence of a public school which had in attendance thereat not less than seventy children could not be considered a sufficient reason for refusing aid to a Denominational school which had in attendance thereat the number of children required by the bill.

Because it could scarcely be considered a sufficient ground for refusing aid to a Denominational school, that it was situated at a greater distance than five miles from any public school. On the contrary, the non-existence of any such last-mentioned school would seem to constitute a proper ground for establishing some other school.

The Council insisted that the required number of children at the Denominational and nearest public school should be reduced from two hundred to one hundred and twenty, because it was considered that two hundred was an excessive number; and because, by such reduction, the minimum would be brought more in accordance with the first portion of the clause, which gives the numbers at seventy and thirty for these schools respectively, thus making an aggregate number of one hundred only.

The Council insist, that the number of children in attendance at a Denominational school to entitle it to retain a certificate should be reduced from forty to thirty, because the latter number would be in strict accordance with that required in clause 9, and even in excess of the number required by clause 8 for any newly established public school."

Upon some of the amendments insisted upon the Council gave way, and the issue became narrowed to thirty words, namely, whether a Denominational school might be certified "in any locality where a public school may be established which has in attendance thereat not less than seventy children," such Denominational school being "not more than five miles from such public school." The determination of the Council and the course of the Government may be ascertained by reference to our Parliamentary report.

The select committee appointed by the Legislative Assembly to take into consideration the expediency of altering the number of members of the House and correcting certain anomalies and inconveniences which have arisen in the existing system of representation have brought up a report. They find that certain districts have been unfairly represented as compared with others in regard to population and the number of electors, and give a number of instances in support of their finding. These inequalities are represented to be still more aggravated, when taking into consideration unfavourable natural circumstances, comparative distance, accessibility from the central Government, and capacity for political action and co-operation. When the northern colony, Queensland, was separated from us territory was cut off from New South Wales, the population of which was formerly represented in the Legislative Assembly by 8 members in a House of 80, leaving the number of representatives 72. The committee propose not to make a rearrangement of the constituencies, but to fill the eight seats cut off from the House, as formed under the Constitution Act of 1856, and to divide them among the constituencies supposed to suffer the greatest inequality. The committee propose not to make this distribution according to population only, but in view of all the circumstances which affect political influence in its bearing on the central Government.

The labour question, which was referred to a select committee, has been made a peg on which to hang protection. This, however, has not surprised any one acquainted with the committee and its chairman. The inquiry was limited, owing to the approaching termination of the session to two points: first, the amount of distress existing, and second, the best means of permanently relieving it. The committee state in their report that much distress does exist in Sydney, and that large numbers of skilled and unskilled workmen are unable to obtain employment. For the permanent relief of this state of things they propose to check importations with a view to encourage native industry. They recommend that an Act should be passed to impose a duty of 20 per cent. ad valorem on all timber except in log, on furniture, carriages, manufactures of boots, shoes, saddlery, harness, and all apparel and slops, imported after the 1st July, 1867. On Tuesday last the adoption of this report was moved, and Mr. Macleay quoted largely from the evidence in support of the findings of the committee. It was agreed on the other side that the committee had taken the evidence of persons unknown, and incompetent to give an opinion on the subject. It was asserted that although the shipping interest and all dependent upon it had suffered from a general depression which, no doubt, has been caused in some degree by our fiscal laws, labour throughout the country districts is scarce, and consequently highly paid. One of the members for the city said he knew of five different quartz-mining companies who could not get labour at less than from 60s. to 70s. per week. It cannot be denied that there is a large amount of distress in Sydney, as there will always be in the chief cities of new countries; but in some instances the distress is self-imposed. One of the representatives of West Sydney (Mr. Joseph), in the course of the debate, spoke as follows:—"He had no hesitation in saying that large numbers of people were thrown out of employment by the combination of persons engaged in trade to keep up the rate of wages. He knew that in his own case; he had called for tenders for the repair of some vessels, but the prices asked were so high that the ships had to be sent to India to be repaired. This was because there was an ad valorem duty on the materials required for those repairs and the rate of wages being so high. The rate of wages among shipwrights was 12s. per day, and if a master were to employ a man at 10s. the rest would strike. A few days ago a man had come to him begging for relief, stating that he was in great distress and had a wife and family to support. He gave the man 5s., and a letter to the captain of a ship that was unloading, requesting the latter to give the man employment. The captain replied that he had given the man employment at 25s. per week and his rations. A few days afterwards the man called upon him (Mr. Joseph) again, and asked for relief. He (Mr. Joseph) said that he had heard that the captain before referred to had employed the fellow. The man said 'Yes, the captain had offered him 25s. per week, but he belonged to a society that would not allow him to work for so little.'" So much are the fluctuations in these colonies, that some names were a week or two ago circulated among the unemployed may now possess a name of wealth. Many thousands of persons from various parts of the colony have flocked to the newly discovered gold fields at the Weddin Mountains, and many vacancies must have been left in the ranks of steady labour.

The select committee appointed to inquire into the allegations respecting the Church of England Cemetery, at Camperdown, have, through their chairman, brought up a progress report. Much evidence has been taken. The bill will go over to the next session, when in the face of the evidence taken it will be impossible to prevent it passing into law, and the closing of a cemetery so dangerous to the public health.

A bill for the gradual abolition of the gold duty passed the Assembly, but was met by an adverse vote in the Legislative Council. It is argued on one side that the action of the neighbouring colony has rendered a reduction of the duty politic in this. But, it is replied, that our goldfields are not sufficiently near the border to make it probable that the colony will be demoralised by the smuggling of gold. One of the strongest reasons for rejecting the bill was that we ought not to give up so legitimate a source of revenue while we retained objectionable taxes imposed to secure the credit of the colony.

The time of the House has been occupied during the month chiefly by the consideration of the Estimates and matters of local importance or personal interest. The Government did not introduce the bill to amend the land laws; and the Municipalities Bill after passing its second reading, received its *coup de grace* in committee. It was opposed principally on account of the provision it contained to give cumulative votes.

The public bills passed during the month relate to the sale of colonial brandy, the prevention of diseases in sheep, the taking up of the Pitt-street tramway, and the appropriation and borrowing of money.

CITY IMPROVEMENTS.

THERE are three buildings now in progress which, perhaps above all others in Sydney, will add to the architectural attractions of the City—the Roman Catholic Cathedral of St. Mary, the Church of England Cathedral, and the General Post Office in George-street. The foundations of the former, or at least the foundations of that portion of the building which it is intended to erect at present, are now being put in, under the superintendence of Mr. Thomas Eyre, the resident clerk of works. The building, from the necessities of the site, will be placed to range from north to south, the choir or chancel being towards the north, and the western side of the church in the College-street line of frontage. The design, which is from the pencil of Mr. Wardell, of Victoria, is cruciform in plan, and comprises a nave and aisles, two transepts and aisles, and choir with aisles. The entire length of the cathedral will be about 350 feet, and the width within the transepts 108 feet, and across the nave and aisles, about 74 feet in the clear between the walls. There will be a central tower or lantern at the intersection of the nave and transepts with a clear interior height from the floor of the church of 120 feet; and at the southern end of the church, next Woolloomooloo-street, there will be two towers with spires, about 250 feet in height. The building will occupy nearly the entire length of the ground from St. Mary's Road to Woolloomooloo-street. The space within the choir allotted for the high altar and sanctuary will be about forty-five feet in length, and will be surrounded by the aisles and lateral chapels. The organ chamber will be on the east side of the choir, and opening from the choir aisles by pillars and arches. The nave, choir, and transepts will be about 90 feet in height from the floor of the church, and will be divided from the aisles respectively by pillars and arches about 35 feet in height. Over the aisles, and opening into the nave, choir, and transepts throughout will be a triforium, and above the triforium a spacious clerestory. Owing to the paramount necessity for economising the expenditure as much as possible, a necessity made still more urgent from the cost entailed by the extraordinary depths to which it was essential to go for foundations, the architect has been compelled to abandon the introduction of stone vaulted ceilings, and to have recourse to the ordinary wooden roof. This must always be a great drawback to the work, but we do not doubt that the difficulty will be met and treated in the spirit of the old masters of mediæval architecture.

In addition to the cathedral proper, the design includes two large sacristies, each 32 feet by 20 feet, with strong room for church plate, and other necessary offices, a spacious chapter house, and a residence for the Archbishop. This will comprise the usual offices for the Vicar-General and private secretary, besides accommodation for the resident clergy, and the apartments for the Archbishop, libraries, domestic chapel, reception rooms, &c.

The design is of the early decorated or geometrical period of pointed architecture, and, though of the simplest character, bids fair to realise a thoroughly ecclesiastical and commodious edifice, well suited to its purposes, and not unworthy of the metropolis of Australia. The importance and advantages of this vast and noble work to the religious body, to whose traditional zeal and energy as church builders it owes its origin, can hardly be exaggerated; nor will it be without its effect on the religious structures of the other denominations of this city, and we sincerely trust will create a spirit of generous and withal kindly rivalry and emulation between them, which must be for good in every point of view, whether artistic, social, or religious.

With regard to the Anglican Cathedral, which has been in course of erection for upwards of a quarter of a century, it is intended to open it for public worship early in 1867. A large number of workmen are employed on the internal fittings during the last year, and from the advancement made an idea of the fine effect which the interior will present when completed can now be formed. Considerable delay has taken place in the work in consequence of the non-receipt of the tiles for the floor. These are not yet come to hand, but are shortly expected.

With reference to the General Post Office, the foundations of this building are rapidly approaching completion, and we understand that tenders for the erection of the superstructure will be invited early in the new year. Judging from the plans, this building will be one of the finest in Sydney.

The old and shattered weather-board houses which marked the earlier days of Sydney are gradually disappearing to make room for large and handsome stone buildings. One of these old houses which stood between Mr. Thomas Holt's stores, and Mr. Bell's block of buildings in Pitt-street North, has been pulled down during the last month, and a substantial store is being erected in its place. So in Market-street, a number of old shanties opposite the Market-house are succumbing to the hammers that are employed in their demolition, and in a few months a row of fine shops will mark the spot where stood these mementoes of the past.

The exterior walls of the new banking-house at the corner of George and Jamison streets, and of the enlargement of the Commercial Bank building, are nearly completed, and both buildings present a fine appearance.

The Messrs. Fraser's stores, in York-street, are also approaching completion. At the north end of Victoria-street we notice the completion and occupation of a handsome second-class house. The semi-detached marine villas at the north end of Macleay-street, which we have noticed in previous summaries, will be completed in the course of a week or two. The one nearest Sydney is already finished and occupied. These villas have been erected from the designs and under the superintendence of Mr. C. Mayes, architect.

The City Corporation works at the Haymarket—preparatory to the erection of sheds for the accommodation of market gardeners and other producers—are now in active progress. The area which will be occupied by the markets is 390 feet in length by 176 in width. There will be 190 stands, arranged in three rows, the northern near Campbell-street, and the southern near Hay-street. The three rows of stands will be roofed with corrugated iron, and while the two outside rows will be set apart for the accommodation of market gardeners' carts, it is proposed to devote the centre shed to produce auction stores. Between the sheds will be two macadamized roads twenty feet in width, and the sheds themselves will be pitched with stones. The two outside rows will be divided into suitable stalls for carts. At the rear of the carts will be a bench on which the gardeners will be enabled to expose their produce for sale, and this bench will be protected from the weather by means of a covered way which will also protect the purchasers, while the floor will be pitched with flag stones to a width of fifteen feet. At the Castlereagh-street end will be an office-keeper's room, and in the immediate vicinity public urinals and water-closets. The contract for the drainage, pitching, and paving, has been taken, and the work commenced.

RAILWAYS.

THE extensions on our several trunk lines of railway are still in progress, but are not being pushed on with as much speed as they would be if the coffers of the State were full of money, and there was an urgent demand on the part of the people for railway communication. On the Southern line the whole of the earthworks, bridges, culverts, &c., on contracts No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, being a length of about fifty-five miles, lying between Picton and Marulan, are finished. The works on contract No. 7, being a length of six miles twenty-seven chains, in the hands of Mr. Faviel, are still in progress, and about two-thirds of the work to complete the excavations, bridges, culverts, &c., has been done; but no portion of the permanent way on this section has been laid. The laying of ballasting and permanent way is included in the contract for formation. The contract for laying and ballasting and permanent way on that portion of the Southern extension lying between Picton and the commencement of No. 7 contract, has been taken by Messrs. Larkin and Wakeford, and the rails are now laid for a distance of twenty miles beyond Picton, being within a short distance of the Pittarey Iron Mines. It is expected that the work will be completed up to the Mittagong Station by the beginning of the year. The ballasting is being laid beyond Mittagong and sleepers provided, preparatory for laying the rails, so soon as the Mittagong station is reached.

Mr. Donnelly, for Mr. Dignam, in his place in the Assembly, on the 17th instant, asked the Secretary for Public Works,—"Have any plans been prepared for the erection of the necessary Railway buildings at Marulan and Goulburn; and if so, when will tenders be called for?" Mr. Byrnes stated that plans had been prepared for the station buildings at the places mentioned.

On the 10th instant, Mr. Dignam moved the adjournment of the House, with a view to draw the attention of the Government to the fact that the reserve at Goulburn on which teamsters were accustomed to turn out their horses and bullocks to graze till their loading was ready, and where young men played cricket and ran races, had been taken up by the Government as a railway terminus. He wished to know if there was any other Government property in the neighbourhood where these men could turn out their teams. This land that was taken had been reserved for commonage. He considered that to appropriate this land for railway purposes was to inflict a wrong upon the carriers, who were accustomed to turn out their teams there. He wished to ask the Government what they intended to do in this matter, and whether they were going to reserve another piece of land in lieu of what they had taken? No answer was given to Mr. Dignam's question, so that the matter dropped.

On the 24th of November, Mr. Garrett asked the Minister representing the Secretary for Public Works,—"What were the total amounts received for passenger and goods traffic respectively on the Great Southern Railway, in the month of October, 1865? 2. What were the amounts received from the same sources during the month of October last? 3. What were the amounts received for passengers and goods traffic respectively on the railway between Sydney and Parramatta, in the month of October, 1865? 4. What were the amounts received from same sources during the month of October last?" Mr. Wilson, in reply, said,—1. In 1865, passenger traffic, £3745 15s. 9d.; goods traffic, £2672 18s. 3d. 2. 1866 passenger traffic, £3116 16s. 6d.; goods traffic, £2430 10s 6d. total, £5547 7s. 3. 1865, passenger traffic, £575 7s. 9d.; goods traffic, £85 19s. 3d.; total, £661 7s. 4. 1866, £470 17s. 10d.; goods traffic, £76 17s. 5d.; total, £547 15s. 3d.

The first important structure on the Western extension, beyond Penrith, is the bridge over the Nepean, which will shortly be ready to open for traffic. The whole of the masonry is completed, with the exception of the pilasters to the piers, and this work is now in hand. The iron work is all finished; and a contract has been entered into with Messrs. Stoddard and Moir for providing and fixing the planking for the road and railway, the work to be completed in February next. With regard to the extension on this line the whole of the excavation, bridges, culverts, &c., between the Nepean River and Blackheath, being a distance of 38 miles 8 chains, are completed. About four-fifths of the work on contract No. 4, in the hands of Mr. Watkins, is completed, and nearly half the work of the tunnel through Mount Clarence is finished. On contract No. 5 the works have not made very much progress, the contractor, Mr. Higgins, having only commenced operations some four or five months ago. A large portion of the work on this section has been sublet, and considering the short time the work has been in hand satisfactory progress has been made. The permanent way, the contract for which was taken some months ago by Messrs. Larkin and Wakeford, is laid for a distance of nearly twenty miles beyond the river, and the work is expected to be completed as far as the Blue Mountain Inn by February next. The working plans and sections of the remainder of the intended extension, lying between Piper's Flats and Bathurst, being a distance of about forty miles, are now ready, and the working drawings for bridges, culverts &c., are being prepared.

On the 29th ultimo, Mr. Macleay, in his place in Parliament, asked the Minister for Works whether he was aware that ballast trains were running at all hours over the level crossings of the railway on the Blue Mountain Road without giving sufficient notice to enable teams to get out of the way? Mr. Byrnes replied to the effect that the attention of the contractors had already been directed to this matter, and that precautions had been taken to prevent collisions.

On the 14th instant, Mr. Cummings, in his place in the Assembly, asked the Secretary for Public Works,—"1. When were the railway carriages, to run upon the Great Western Railway from Penrith towards Bathurst, first ordered from England, and by whom? 2. When was such order countermanded, and by whom? 3. When were such carriages ordered a second time? 4. When are the carriages so ordered likely to arrive in the colony? 5. Has the Government any spare carriages fit to run upon the said line of railway without risking the lives or limbs of the passengers?" Mr. Byrnes, in reply, said 1. In January, 1866, by the Commissioner for Railways. 2. All orders not actually in contract were suspended by the Commissioner by a letter dispatched in May, 1866. 3. By the October mail, 1866. 4. Probably in August, 1867. 5. There were no carriages in the colony suitable for the Western Railway.

With regard to the Northern extension, our readers are already aware that the bridge over the Hunter, at Singleton, is finished, and was formally named by his Excellency the Governor two months ago. The earthwork for the road and railway approaches to the bridge, on the south side of the river, will be finished by the end of the present month, and the approaches, including the timber work of the bridge over the gully about midway between the Singleton station and the river, will be entirely completed next month, if the timber for the bridge can be obtained. The whole of the earthworks, bridges, culverts, &c., on the extension from the north side of the river to Liddell are finished, and the contract for the extension from Liddell to Muswellbrook expires next month. Tenders have been received for ballasting and laying the permanent way on this extension from Singleton to Muswellbrook, and one will be accepted in the course of a few days. The work is to be completed by February, 1868. Trial surveys have been made from Muswellbrook to Murrurundi, but the extension over this length has not been promised, nor has anything been done towards starting with the line or preparing the working surveys and sections. The surveys were laid before Parliament and approved on the 27th March last.

On the 14th instant, Mr. White asked the following questions in reference to the Northern extension:—"1. With reference to the tenders now invited for laying and ballasting the permanent way on the railway extension from Singleton to Muswellbrook, whether the rails and other materials—not procurable in the colony—necessary for the completion of that work have been provided and are now available? 2. If not, have such materials been ordered, and will they be provided in time to prevent any delay in the work? 3. Have plans been prepared for the necessary railway station buildings at Muswellbrook, and when will tenders for these works be called for? 4. What is the cause of the delay in calling for tenders for the railway extension from Muswellbrook to Murrurundi, the money for constructing which was voted last session? 5. When is it likely such tenders will be called for?" Mr. Byrnes, in reply, said the rails, &c., of portion of the line beyond Singleton were in the colony, and the rest being ordered would no doubt arrive in time to prevent delay in the completion of the line. 3, No. Tenders would probably be invited for station buildings in June next. 4. The money required for the construction of this part of the line had not yet been provided. 5. No time could be fixed at present.

Mr. Neale also recently asked the following questions in reference to the traffic on the Morpeth Railway, a branch of the Great Northern Railway:—"1. What amount has been expended by the Government in the erection of coal sheots at Morpeth in connection with the railway? 2. What quantity of coal has passed through the sheots since their erection? 3. How many passenger trains, and how many goods trains, run daily between Morpeth and Maitland? 4. What is the average cost of running each of such trains? 5. What is the average daily receipt from passenger traffic, and also from goods traffic, from the opening of the line to date? 6. What is the total amount of profit now in hands of the Registrar of this Diocese? Mr. H. K. James should be placed; and that this matter be referred to the committee appointed to inquire into the marriage question, with a request that they would report thereon, and also as to the best mode of carrying this object into effect." The motion was seconded by Mr. M. Consett Stephen. Mr. W. Russell moved that the question be referred to a select committee, and the Rev. H. A. Palmer seconded the motion. Mr. T. Jaques supported the motion moved by the Rev. W. Stack, and Mr. W. Barker defended Mr. H. K. James from the strong censure passed upon that gentleman in respect of the high charges he was stated to be in the habit of making for copies of entries in the register at his office. The Rev. A. H. Stephen supported the proposition of referring the matter to a select committee. Mr. C. Rolleston took a view of the matter somewhat similar to that expressed by Mr. W. Barker, and spoke highly of the recorded copies of births, deaths, and marriages in the Registrar's office. Mr. Alexander Gordon defended Mr. James from the imputation of being extortionate in his charges in respect of these documents. The President thought that the matter should be referred to a select committee, and intimated that he thought that Mr. H. K. James had been hardly dealt with by some members of the Synod. Ultimately the original motion and the amendment were carried. After the usual recess, Mr. Alexander Gordon submitted the following resolutions to the Synod:—

"1. That the members of the United Church of England and Ireland within this colony claim as such to be, and have been generally recognised as being, members of the United Church of England and Ireland.

"2. That this Synod, as representing the United Church of England and Ireland within the diocese of Sydney, therefore deprecates any action on the part of the Imperial Government which can have the effect of separating the United Church of England and Ireland within the colony from the United Church of England and Ireland in the United Kingdom.

"3. That the Synod has accordingly viewed with distrust and apprehension the introduction into the Imperial Parliament of a bill intituled 'A Bill to remove doubts as to the effect of Letters Patent granted to certain Colonial Bishops; and to amend the law with respect to Bishops and Clergy in the Colonies,' for the following among other reasons:—

"First.—Because the general tenor of the bill is calculated to create doubts as to whether the members of any Church out of the United Kingdom can as such be considered members of the United Church of England and Ireland.

"Second.—Because the provisions made by the bill for the appointment and consecration of Bishops out of the United Kingdom tend to sever the connexion of Colonial Churches with the Church in the United Kingdom.

"Third.—Because the tenor and provisions of the bill would have an injurious effect on the position of the members of the Church in this colony as members of the United Church of England and Ireland, especially having regard to the legislation which has taken place in the colony on their behalf.

Contingent on the adoption of the foregoing resolutions.

"That a select committee be appointed to draw up and present to the Synod for its approval a petition to her Majesty, and also petitions to both Houses of the Imperial Parliament embodying the foregoing resolutions, and praying that no legislation may be sanctioned which will in any way affect the relations of the members of the Church in this colony towards the Church in the United Kingdom, or weaken the connexion between the Church in this colony and the Church in the United Kingdom."

Mr. A. Gordon supported these resolutions in a lengthy speech, urging a variety of arguments in their support. The Rev. Canon Allwood moved (as an amendment), "That the matter be referred to the standing committee for its deliberate consideration and report." He believed the Church to be a true and noble witness to God; but he should always protest and lift up his voice against any measure which might have the slightest tendency to infringe their liberty, and any attempt to bind them with that legal chain with which the Church at home was covered. He believed the Church of England to be the purest branch of Christ's Holy Catholic Church. But he confessed that he felt neither glory nor pride in looking upon their Church as the appendage of an Establishment. The Rev. George Vidal

in the Gothic style; the foundations are done, and the superstructure brick. They will each accommodate from 200 to 300 persons.

PRESBYTERIAN.

The Synod of Eastern Australia met in St. George's Church on the 6th ultimo. The following ministers were present:—The Revs. C. R. Greig, W. M'Intyre, A. M'Intyre, J. M'Culloch, and J. L. M'Fhimming. The Rev. J. M'Culloch was chosen moderator for the next twelve months. The sittings of the Synod closed on the 13th ultimo.

On the 27th ultimo, the fourth anniversary of the Young Men's Presbyterian Institute was celebrated by a public soiree, at which the Rev. Dr. Steel (president) occupied the chair.

The monthly meeting of the Presbytery of Sydney was held on the 4th instant.

CONGREGATIONAL.

The Pitt-street church is to be reopened on the 24th proximo.

The tenth anniversary of the Newtown church was commemorated by a tea and public meeting on the 27th ultimo. The pastor (Rev. S. C. Kent) presided.

The annual services in connection with the Bourke-street Sunday and Day Schools took place on the 10th instant. The report showed the schools to be in flourishing condition.

A social meeting on behalf of the Pitt-street Christian Instruction Society was held on the 18th instant. The president (Rev. John Graham) presided. A considerable sum was subscribed to enable the visitors and tract distributors to relieve cases of distress.

WESLEYAN.

The annual meetings of the various branches of the Australasian Wesleyan Missionary Society have been held. The anniversary of the Parramatta Auxiliary was held on the 12th instant.

CITY MISSION.—The new chapel at the corner of Sussex and Liverpool streets has been opened for worship in connection with the Independent City Mission. A tea meeting to celebrate the opening was held on the 18th instant.

SYNOD OF THE DIOCESE OF SYDNEY.

THE first Synod of the Church of England within the diocese of Sydney have met during the month, and having transacted business, st

seconded the amendment, in support of which he proceeded to address the Synod. In consequence, however, of Mr. Alexander Gordon having only spoken to the first resolution in his address, he was allowed to supplement his speech, so as to deal with the whole subject. When he had concluded, the Synod adjourned.

On the 11th of December the debate upon the relation of the Colonial Church to the Mother Church of England was resumed, —the resolutions moved by Mr. Gordon in opposition to Mr. Cardwell's bill, and the arguments by which Mr. Gordon had supported those resolutions, being strongly opposed in a long and eloquent speech by the Rev. George Vidal, of Mulgoa—at present in charge of Christ Church. The Rev. *. Stack supported the resolutions, condemned the ninth and tenth clauses of Mr. Cardwell's bill, and contended for the Royal supremacy as a necessary bond of union for the Colonial Church. The Rev. P. J. Smith supported the amendment moved by Canon Allwood, and disagreed with the "Royal supremacy" view advocated by the Rev. W. Stack. If they supported the resolutions moved by Mr. A. Gordon, he thought that their action might have a tendency to prop up Bishop Colenso; that was a good reason for them not to concur in the proposed course. The Rev. Thomas Smith spoke in condemnation of the tenth clause of Mr. Cardwell's bill, against which Mr. Gordon's resolutions were expressly levelled. It prescribed a mode of consecration contrary to the rubric of the prayer book and to ancient ecclesiastical law. He deprecated any such proposed legislation as likely to lead to dissension in the Church. The Rev. T. C. Hyslop saw no necessity for such a bill as Mr. Cardwell's. It was because one of the clauses of that bill would have the effect of overriding the rules of the Church that he should record his vote in favour of the motions submitted by the Chancellor. The Rev. W. Lumsdaine thought that the Church in the colony was an integral portion of the Church of England and Ireland, and not merely an Episcopal Church in union and communion with the United Church of England and Ireland as by law established. As far as royal supremacy was concerned, let them hold fast and cling to the royal supremacy in contradistinction to the supremacy of the Papacy. Mr. M. H. Stephen supported the referring of the question to a select committee of the Synod, and strongly urged that in future the Church in the colony should choose its own bishops. The Rev. H. A. Palmer condemned the tenth clause of Mr. Cardwell's Act, but did not approve of all Mr. Gordon's resolutions. He must therefore support the amendment. The Rev. Hulton S. King thought they might all vote against the adoption of the petition.

On the 12th December, the debate on the relation of the Colonial Church to the Mother Church was resumed. After speeches from the Rev. H. Tingcombe, Mr. G. H. Rowley, Mr. William Bowman, the Rev. John Fletcher, Mr. James Cummings, the Rev. W. Scott, and Mr. W. H. Williamson, Mr. A. Gordon withdrew his motion, and the Rev. Canon Allwood his amendment,—the following resolution being substituted for the same, in which both of those gentlemen concurred :—"That a select committee be appointed to draw up and present to the Synod, for its approval, a petition to her Majesty, and petitions to both Houses of the Imperial Parliament, and also petitions to both Houses of Convocation, of the provinces of Canterbury and of York, declaring our continued adherence to the Church of our fathers as members of the United Church of England and Ireland, and expressing our regret at the recent introduction into the Imperial Parliament of the bill intituled, 'A Bill to remove doubts as to the effect of Letters Patent granted to certain Colonial Bishops, and to amend the law with respect to bishops and clergy in the colonies,' having for its object, among other things, to authorise the consecration of bishops in and for the colonies in a manner contrary to the long established rules and ordinances of our Church; and praying, in reference to the said bill, that no legislation may be sanctioned which will in any way affect the relations of the Church in this colony towards the Church in the United Kingdom, or the connection between the Church in this colony and the Church in the United Kingdom. That this committee consist of the Rev Canon Allwood, the Chancellor, Mr. William Barker, the Rev John Fletcher, the Rev. George Vidal, and Mr C. Rolleston." This resolution, meeting the views of all parties, was carried by a unanimous vote, amid loud and hearty cheers. The Rev. M. H. Stephen then moved, "That the Standing Committee be requested to consider the constitution of a tribunal for the administration of ecclesiastical discipline, and to report to this Synod at its next session." The Rev. Thomas Hassall seconded the motion, which was put and carried. On the motion of the Rev. Hulton King, the following motion was also put and carried by the Synod:—"That it is expedient to inquire in what way the appointment of clergymen to the incumbency of parishes and churches in the diocese be more forth regulated; and that this matter be referred to the Standing Committee." On the motion of the Rev. Canon Allwood, the Synod adopted the agency of the Church Society.

On the 13th of December, amongst other business, the Synod, on the motion of the Rev. George Vidal, expressly adopted that agency hitherto known as the "Australasian Board of Missions," but hereafter to be known as the Board of Missions of the diocese of Sydney. On the motion of the Rev. A. H. Stephen several statistical returns were called for from the different parishes of the diocese. A debate arose relative to a motion moved by the Rev. Hulton King in reference to the expediency of taking such steps as may be necessary, with as little delay as possible, to secure from the government such portions of the general cemetery at Haslem's Creek, or elsewhere in the vicinity of Sydney, as may be offered for the use of members of the Church of England. A discussion, in which the Rev. P. J. Smith, the Rev. R. H. Mayne, the Rev. W. B. Clarke, Mr. Michael Metcalfe, the Rev. Thomas Smith, Mr. Alexander Gordon, the Right Rev. President, and the Dean of Sydney successively took part, the motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

On the 14th of December, from an explanation made by the the Rev. W. Stack, it appeared—in reference to the supposed charges of Mr. H. K. James, the Registrar, for certified copies of his register—that Mr. James had only asked the Earl of Limerick's agent for less than half "£50," and that not for one but for two certificates. He also stated that he had not received one farthing on their account, but was, on the contrary, £3 3s. out of pocket for agency's expenses in England. Mr. James also stated that the other portion of his (Mr. Stack's) statement was likewise open to refutation. On the motion of Mr. J. F. Josephson, the minutes of proceedings of the Synod were ordered to be published. Mr. Shepherd Smith moved a resolution in favour of a uniformity in the use of hymn books, which, having been modified, was agreed to by the Synod.

The Chancellor (Mr. A. Gordon) reported on behalf of the Standing Committee that they had drawn up petitions for signature against Mr. Cardwell's Bill, and deprecating any Imperial legislation which might tend to sever the ties between the Church in the colony and the United Church of England and Ireland in the mother country. These petitions, 8 in number, were drawn up in accordance with the expressed desire of the Conference.

Mr. Alexander Gordon moved that these petitions be adopted. One of them was a petition on the part of the Synod to her Majesty the Queen, to be entrusted to the care of his Excellency Sir John Young; another was a petition to the House of Lords, to be entrusted to the Earl of Harrowby; another was to the Upper House of the Convocation of the Province of Canterbury, to be entrusted to the care of Most Rev. the Archbishop of Canterbury; another was to the Lower House of Convocation of the Province of Canterbury, to be entrusted to the Rev. Canon Seymour; another was to the House of Commons, to be entrusted to Mr. T. D. Horsfal, M.P.; and one to the House of Convocation for the Province of York, to be entrusted to the Archbishop of York.

The Rev. Canon Allwood had great pleasure in seconding the resolution, and in so doing would only occupy the time of the Synod with a very few remarks. The subjects contained in the petition had been so ably and fully discussed that he felt sure that there was only one feeling prevalent in the minds of all, that of satisfaction at the prospect of the question before them being brought to a happy and speedy termination. (Cheers.) The petition involved two points—first, a protest against the 10th clause of the bill; and the second, a prayer that no legislation might take place which should tend to sever the tie which bound us to the Church at home. In regard to the first point, he could not conceive how such a clause could have found its way into a bill drawn up by the late able Attorney-General, one who was as well known as an earnest and attached member of the Church of England, of which it might be said that his book of praise was in all the churches. Much less could he conceive how such a clause could have been accepted by the Bishops of the Church. He thought that it would be found that there was some mistake, some interpolation, and hoped that it would be found that we had been petitioning against a course which was never contemplated. He could not believe that the prelates of a Church which owned no authority, whose appeal was *stare super vias antiquas*, would ever give their sanction to a measure empowering her Majesty, by Royal mandate, to authorise any one bishop to consecrate bishops for the colonies (Renewed cheers.) He would not weary the Synod by citing the canons of the General Councils which so clearly laid down the rules and regulations necessary in the consecration of bishops; canons which were the rule of our own Church, and formed the basis of our Ecclesiastical Law. He would only say that he could not conceive any circumstance, short of heresy, which would be more likely to give a shock to the tie which united us to the Church at home, than that the princes of the Church at home should be found supporting any enactment which would tend to impose upon us innovations with regard to ecclesiastical polity; not only not in accord with, but directly at variance with, the laws and usages of the Church at home; innovations which he did not hesitate to say were not only uncanonical, but unsalled for, and brought with danger to us. Nevertheless, he must repeat it, he would not believe—unless he had further information—that this clause was correctly reported. He would still hope, even against hope. But with the words of the clause before him, he felt constrained, as a clergyman of the Church in Sydney, to protest and petition against what appeared to him a course most disastrous to the colonial Church. In regard to the second point, he felt there was but one opinion among them. There were, of course, differences of opinion in regard to the exact sense in which we are members of the Church of England. His learned friend (the Chancellor) held one view, and he held another; but they both heartily concurred in deprecating any enactment, either of the Imperial Parliament, or of any other authority whatever, which would tend to disever or weaken the tie which bound them to the Church of England. (Cheers.) He would say no more on the subject, but express the hope that the members of the synod would be as unanimous in their support of the petitions as they were in the resolution which led to them. He earnestly entreated them, without further discussion, to let the petitions go home with all the weight which would be attached to them of being the expression of the unanimous voice of the Church in Sydney; to tell our friends in England that, though divided from them by thousands of miles, we are one with them in heart and in affection to the Church of our Fathers; and that, while we might differ amongst ourselves on minor points on a great question like this, there was no difference—that there was one loyal and prevailing feeling in the breasts of us all *ne quid detrimenti capiat Ecclesia*—that nothing might be done to disturb or divide our Church. (General cheering.)

The motion was seconded by the Rev. George Vidal and agreed to, the President being empowered to sign the several petitions. Questions as to membership, double elections, the adoption of rules for the standing committee, the question as to expenses of Synod, a proposition for a clergy widows' and orphan's fund, and a progress report on the marriage question, occupied the remainder of the session on the same day. The Synod passed a vote expressive of the grateful acknowledgments of the Synod to the Right Rev. the President for the admirable temper, ability, and dignity with which his Lordship had presided over their deliberations.

The vote was carried by acclamation.

The President thanked the Synod, and expressed his high sense of the peace, good order, and entire success which had characterised the proceedings of the Synod.

The Synod then recited the *Te Deum*, at the close of which the Bishop pronounced the blessing.

The Bishop then pronounced the Synod to be prorogued until it should be further summoned to attend.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

BIRTHS.

ADAMS—December 17th, at Maitland, the wife of A. Reilly Adams, Esq., Bank of New South Wales, of a daughter.

AIRD—December 12th, at her residence, Christie-street, Glebe, Mrs. James Stevenson Aird, of a son.

ASHER—December 5th, at her residence, Phillip-street, the wife of Mr. Morris Asher, of a son.

AYLWARD—December 17th, at her residence, 223, Devonshire-street, Surry Hills, the wife of Mr. William Aylward, of a son, which survived only 18 hours.

BALENZULA—December 6th, at her residence, Five Roads Hotel, Woolloomooloo, Mrs. P. Balenzula, of a daughter.

BARLOW—November 30th, at Glenfield, the wife of Alexander Barlow, Esq., of a son.

BEDFORD—November 16th, at her residence, Balmain, the wife of Captain J. H. Bedford, of a daughter.

BENSON—November 29th, at Orange, the wife of Mr. B. E. Benson, of a daughter.

BENSON—November 29th, at her residence, 367, Elizabeth-street South, Mrs. William Benson, of a son.

BOYD—December 11th, at her residence, No. 7, Corfu-street, Woolloomooloo, Mrs. James Boyd, jun., of a son.

BROOKES—December 13th, at Hunter's Hill, Mrs. Henry C. Brookes, of a daughter.

BROOKS—December 17th, at Sara Cottage, Penrith, the wife of Richard Brooks, Esq., of a son, stillborn.

BROWN—December 1st, at Parramatta, the wife of Walter Brown, M.D., of a daughter.

BROWN—November 27th, at the residence of Mrs. Snow, midwife, Dagmar House, Paddington, Mrs. M. Brown, of a son.

BRYANT—November 28th, at her residence, South Head Road, Mrs. G. Bryant, of a daughter.

BULL—November 16th, at her residence, 660, George-street, Brickfield-hill, Mrs. N. G. Bull, of a son.

CAMPBELL—December 12th, at Craigniah, Waverley, Mrs. B. P. Campbell, of a son.

CHAMBERS—December 8th, at her residence, 94, Forbes-street, Woolloomooloo, Mrs. W. Chambers, of a daughter.

CHISHOLM—December 8th, at Gledswood, the wife of James K. Chisholm, Esq., of a daughter.

CLEEVE—November 29th, at her mother's residence, Mrs. Sharkey, 408, Kent-street South, Mrs. John T. Cleeve, of a son.

CLULOW—December 15th, at her residence, Lincoln House, Upper Paddington, the wife of Captain Clulow, of a daughter.

COCHRANE—November 24th, at her residence, Careening Cove, North shore, the wife of William Cochrane, of a daughter.

COLLINS—December 2nd, at her residence, Blacktown, Mrs. J. Collins, of a son.

CORRIE—November 25th, at Darlinghurst, the wife of C. P. Corrie, of a daughter.

D'APICE—December 16th, at her residence, Villa Floridiana, Hunter's Hill, the wife of the Chevalier D'Apice of a daughter.

DELOHERY—November 28th, at her residence, Campbell-street, Balmain, Mrs. A. C. Delohery, of a son.

DICK—December 3rd, at her residence, Riley-street, Mrs. R. J. Dick, of a son.

ENNIS—November 23rd, at Sunnyside, Balmain West, Mrs. J. Robert Ennis, of a son.

FISCHER—November 26th, at her residence, Phillip-street, the wife of Jacob Christian Fischer, of a son.

FLETCHER—December 10th, at her residence, Victoria House, Darling-street, Balmain, Mrs. Richard Fletcher, of a daughter.

FYFE—November 26th, at her residence, Grey-street, South Brisbane, Mrs. John Fyfe, jun., of a daughter.

GILES—December 18th, at her residence, Woollahra, Mrs. James Giles, of a son.

GOSTELOW—December 18th, at her residence, 17, West-street, Darlinghurst, Mrs. Ebenezer Gostelow, of a son.

GRIBBEN—December 11th, at her residence, Shamrock Cottage, Elizabeth-street South, Mrs. Aitken Gribben, of a daughter.

HARPUR—December 6th, at her residence, No. 20, Hutchinson-street, Surry Hills, Mrs. Josiah Harpur, of a son.

HOLLINGDALE—November 19th, at her residence, 104, King-street, the wife of Mr. E. Hollingdale, of a daughter, stillborn.

HOLMES—December 16th, at her residence, 459, Bourke-street, Surry Hills, Mrs. James W. Holmes, of a son.

HOBNEN—November 27th, at 343, Pitt-street, the wife of Charles Hobnen, of a son.

IRWIN—December 1st, at her residence, Fairlea, Balmain, Mrs. J. E. Irwin, of a son.

JOHNSON—November 23rd, at her residence, Manly Beach, the wife of William Johnson, of a son.

JOHNSON—November 25th, at her residence, 226, Clarence-street, Mrs. T. Johnson, of a daughter.

JONES—December 2nd, at her residence, 24, Chippen-street, Chippendale, the wife of Mr. James Jones, of H. M. Customs, of a daughter. Both doing well.

JONES—November 26th, at her residence, College-street, Sydney, Mrs. Richard Jones, of a daughter.

KING—November 25th, at Moombice Cottage, Ashfield, Mrs. Frederic King, of a son.

KING—December 2nd, at St. Michael's Parsonage, Surry Hills, the wife of the Rev. Hulton S. King, of a daughter.

LANE—December 8th, at her residence, Cockatoo Island, the wife of J. F. Lane, of a daughter.

LEVIEN—November 23rd, at West Maitland, Mrs. John Levien, of a daughter.

LYTTLE—November 25th, at her residence, 384, Riley-street, Surry Hills, the wife of Mr. J. A. Lyttle, of a son.

M'ARTHUR—October 17th, at Raleigh Hall, Brixton Rise, Lewisham, Mrs. Alexander M'Arthur, of a daughter.

M'BEAN—December 4th, at Spring Mount, Yass, the wife of William M'Bean, Esq., of a son.

M'NAMARRA — December 13th, at her residence, No. 49, Buckingham-street, the wife of Mrs. William M'Namarra, of a daughter.

MACKAY—November 25th, at 24, Tyrone-terrace, Orwell-street, the wife of Mr. E. T. Mackay, of a son.

MANBY—November 24th, at her own residence, Twofold Bay, the wife of E. Manby, Esq., of a daughter.

MAY—December 9th, at Randwick, the wife of J. M. May, of a son.

MEARS—November 22nd, at her residence, Denison House, Bathurst, Mrs. William Mears, of a son.

MENSAH—December 1st, at her residence, 641, George-street South, Mrs. Morris Mensor, of a son.

MILLARD—November 20th, at the Grammar School, Newcastle, the wife of the Rev. H. S. Millard, of a daughter, prematurely.

MILFORD—December 3rd, at her residence, 161, Elizabeth-street, the wife of Frederick Milford, M.D., of a son.

MONTEITH—December 8th, at Marlborough, Queensland, Mrs. William Monteith, of a daughter.

MORGAN—November 18th, at her residence, Petersham, Mrs. L. Morgan, of a daughter.

MOORE—November 29th, at Armidale, the wife of John Moore, Esq., J.P., of a son.

MURRAY—November 27th, at her residence, 322, Pitt-street, Sydney, Mrs. M. Murray, of a daughter. Melbourne papers, please copy.

NEWMAN—November 19th, at her residence, Redfern-street, Redfern, Mrs. Thomas M. Newman, of a son.

NORIE—November 22nd, the wife of W. F. Norie, of a daughter.

NOYES—December 20th, at Cheshunt House, Dawes Point, the wife of Lt. R. Noyes, Royal Artillery, of a son.

PATERSON—December 5th, at Illalong, Mrs. John Paterson, of a daughter.

PAYNE—November 20th, at Hursley, Hastings River, Port Macquarie, the wife of Mr. Pyrland Justinian Payne, of a son.

PERRY, November 6th, at Abbotsbury, the wife of Frederick William Perry, of a daughter.

PITT—December 8th, at her residence, Sunnyside, Mrs. George Matcham Pitt, jun., of a son.

PITT—December 16th, at her residence, Milson's Point, North Shore, Mrs. W. H. Pitt, of a daughter.

PLUMMER—November 16th, at her residence, No. 101, South Head Road, Mrs. J. G. Plummer, of a son.

PRING—December 16th, at Crowther, Mrs. John Pring, of a son.

PRIOR—December 8th, at her residence, Newtown Road, Mrs. C. Prior, of a son.

ROBINSON—December 10th, at her residence, Brunswick Villa, South Head, the wife of Captain Thomas Robinson, of a son.

ROWE—December 4th, at Surry Hills, Sydney, Mrs. Richard Rowe, of Emu Plains, of a daughter.

SCOTT—October 3rd, at Burrundy, River Darling, the wife of James Scott, Esq., of a daughter.

SHEAFFE—November 27th, at her residence, Yatteyatah, near Ulladulla, Mrs. Percy Sheaffe, of a son.

SHIRLOW—November 22nd, at Ryde, the wife of Mr. Shirlow, of a son.

SMELTZER—At her residence, Gunnedah, Namoi River, N. S. W. the wife of Mr. Phillip Smeltzer, of a daughter. Both doing well. Bristol papers please copy.

SPENCER—December 1st, at Dunlop, Ipswich, Queensland, Mrs. J. Sturtevant Spencer, of a son.

STANLEY—November 24th, at Paddington House, Point Piper Road, the wife of the Rev. Dr. Stanley, of a son.

STEVENSON—November 22nd, at her residence, 291, Riley-street, Surry Hills, the wife of Mr. Bruce Stevenson, of a son, prematurely, stillborn.

STONIER—December 7th, at Long View House, Enmore Road, Newtown, Mrs. W. Stonier, of a son.

STOPPS—December 10th, at her residence, Hunter's Hill, Mrs. Arthur Stopps, of a daughter.

TOLAND—December 20th, at her residence, 264, Castlereagh-street, Mrs. R. Toland, of a daughter.

TUNAS—December 9th, at her residence, Peasant Hills, Mrs. James Tunks, of a daughter.

WATKIN—November 20th, at her residence, Willow Cottage, Windsor, the wife of Mr. J. H. Watkin, of a daughter.

WEST—December 1st, at her residence, St. John's-terrace, St. John's Road, Glebe, Mrs. Thomas West, of a daughter.

WEST—December 6th, at her residence, Coulgelo, near Cowra, the wife of Thomas H. West, J.P., of a son.

WEST — December 13th, at her residence, Durham-street, Bathurst, the wife of Mr. Major West, of a daughter.

WINDEYER—November 24th, at 3, Victoria-terrace, the wife of W. C. Windeyer, Esq., M.L.A., of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

ABBOTT—BENNETT—November 29th, at the residence of the father of the bride, Samuel-street, by the Rev. W. Curnow, Joseph, youngest son of the late Henry Kingsmill Abbott, to Margaret Anne, second daughter of Mr. George Bennett.

ASHLEY—BAXTER—November 19th, at Newcastle, at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. Snape, by the Rev. James Coutts, John Ashley, Esq., L.S.A., surgeon, of Stroud, Port Stephens, son of the Rev. John Ashley, LL.D., to Emily Hindson, sixth daughter of the late Thomas Porter Baxter, Esq., of Sydney, formerly of Washingly Hall, Huntingdonshire.

BARRETT—COOK—December 8th, by special license, at St. Luke's Church, Liverpool, by the Rev. C. P. D. Priddle, Henry James Barrett, of Manero, fifth son of Mr. William Barrett, of Minto, near Liverpool, to Maria, eldest daughter of the late Alexander Currie Cook, M.D., of Sydney.

BURT—JONES—November 22nd, by special license, at St. Philip's Church, by the Rev. Thomas O'Reilly, William David, eldest son of David Burt, Esq., George-street, Sydney, to Louisa, second daughter of Thomas Jones, Esq., Redfern.

BUZZARD—FAWCETT—November 22nd, at St. Bartholomew's Church, Prospect, Parramatta, by the Rev. Thomas Dunkin, B.D., George Buzzard, Esq., of Melbourne, to Alice Knowles, only daughter of William Fawcett, Esq., of Parramatta.

CHAMBERS—WICKHAM — December 6th, by the Rev. S. Humphreys, at the residence of the bride's parents, Richard Chambers, of Goulburn, to Jane, third daughter of Thomas Wickham, Sydney.

DEVLIN—ALDERSON—December 8th, at St. Ann's Church, Ryde, by the Rev. G. E. Turner, S.C.L., William, third son of James Devlin, Esq., Ryde, to Susan Elizabeth Ford, eldest daughter of the late Henry Alderson.

DRUMMOND—BRADLEY—December 20th, at St. James's Church, by the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Sydney, assisted by the Rev. G. H. Moreton, William, youngest son of the late Lieutenant-Colonel J. G. Drummond, C.B., of Strageath, Quarter-master General of the Bengal Army, to Mary Louisa, third daughter of Henry Burton Bradley, Esq., of The Terraces, Glenmore Road, Sydney.

EARL—HOGAN—September 30th, at 165, Prince-street, by special license, by the Rev. John Reid, of the Mariners' Church, Henry Clifford Earl, master mariner, native of America, to Louisa Hogan, daughter of the late James Hogan, artist, Woolloomooloo, Sydney.

FINGE—M'ARTHUR—December 6th, at the Scots Church, Mr. James Finge, mariner of the Jane Lockhart, New Zealand trade, a native of Swansea, Wales, to Margaret M'Arthur, of Lower George-street, of Scottish parentage, a native of the county Tipperary, Ireland.

FOWLER—CARTER—December 6th, at St. Paul's Church, Redfern, by the Rev. A. H. Stephen, assisted by the Rev. R. Taylor, William, eldest son of the late W. T. Fowler, of Redfern, to Charlotte Rye, only daughter of P. W. Carter, of Redfern.

FRASER—EDSON—December 12th, at St. Jude's Church, Randwick, by the Rev. Z. Barry, Archibald Colquhoun Fraser, son of Colonel Andrew Fraser, late H. E. I. C. S., to Maria Helen, daughter of George Edson, Esq., of Randwick. No cards.

GARDNER—CAMPBELL—November 13th, at Wellington Parade, East Melbourne, by the Rev. Irving Hetherington, Robert Ballard Gardner, Royal Marine Artillery, second son of Lieutenant-Colonel Gardner, late 53rd Regiment, to Christina, second daughter of of the Hon. William Campbell, M.L.C.

GREENWALGH—LOFTUS—November 28th, at Bathurst, by the Rev. Father O'Connel, Thomas Greenwalgh, eldest son of Thomas Greenwaigh, Esq., Ferngrove, Rydal, to Kate Julia, only daughter of John Loftus, Esq., of Thatch Cottage, Rydal Park.

HANSON—PEISLEY—November 21st, at St. James's Church, by the Rev. G. H. Moreton, Alexander Charles, second son of the late Joseph Samuel Hanson, Esq., to Elizabeth, elder daughter of William Peisley, Esq., Richmond House, Darlinghurst Road.

JONES—HIGHAM—October 30th, by the Rev. Dr. Bailey, of the Free Church of England, Brisbane-street, Mr. William Jones, of Campbell-place, Woolloomooloo, to Margaret, daughter of the late Mr. John Higham, of Botany-street, Paddington.

JONES—TAYLOR—December 6th, at Ryde, B. H. Jones, of Sydney, to Hannah Maria, step-daughter of Thomas Taylor, Esq., of Surry Hills.

M'KEAN—PROWETT—December 12th, at the Scots Church, by the Rev. Dr. Lang, M.P., Mr. Richard M'Kean, carver and gilder, South Head Road, a native of Manchester, England, of Scottish parentage, to Anne Peowrie, of Balmain, a native of London.

MILLS—THOMPSON—December 3rd, at the Parsonage, Gladstone, by the Rev. A. Proudfoot, William Mills, blacksmith, Gladstone, eldest son of John Mills, to Tamer Thompson, third daughter of Thomas Thompson, both of Parramatta.

MITCHELL—LEES—December 5th, at the Scots Church, by the Rev. Dr. Lang, M.P., Mr. John Alexander Mitchell, farmer, Castlebrae, Illawarra, eldest son of Mr. John Mitchell, farmer, Castlebrae, Illawarra, to Jessie, eldest daughter of Mr. John Lees, farmer, Canterbury, a native of the colony.

OVERALL—NIBLET—December 4th, at the residence of the bride's parents, Painswick Cottage, Parramatta Junction, by the Rev. J. H. Fletcher, Jeremiah Overall, youngest son of Mr. John Overall, of Essex, England, to Jane, only surviving daughter of James and Hannah Niblet.

OWENS—ELLIOTT—October 30th, by special license, at St. Philip's Church, by the Rev. Mr. Gunther, William Owens, master mariner, of Ferchet, Wales, to Mary Anne, third daughter of Mr. John Elliott, Commercial Hotel, Suffolk-street, Dublin, and grand-daughter of the late Captain Elliott, R.N.

PALMER—SMITH—November 28th, by the Rev. Frederick Hibberd, at the residence of the bride's parents, Joseph, only son of Mr. Thomas Palmer, formerly of No 12, Thavies Inn, London, and now of 630, George-street, Sydney, to Annie, eldest daughter of Mr. Henry Smith, of Palmer-street, Sydney.

PANCHAUD—M'RAE—November 22nd, by the Rev. Thomas Johnson, Bourke-street, Surry Hills, Mr. John Panchaud, third son of the late George Panchaud, Esq., of London, to Christina, second daughter of the late Duncan M'Rae, of Inverness, Scotland.

PARISH—HOLLOWAY—December 4th, by special license, at St. Bartholomew's, Pyrmont, by the Rev. W. Allworth, Mr. Josiah Parish, of the Macleay River, to Elizabeth, widow of the late Mr. Benjamin Holloway, of Pyrmont, Sydney.

PHILLIPS—MOSS—November 29th, at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. A. B. Davis, Joshua, second son of Samuel Phillips, Esq., to Sarah, second daughter of Mr. G. Moss, wine merchant, both of Sydney.

RALSTON—LOWE—By the Rev. Dr. Lang, Henry William Ralston, fifth son of Gavin Ralston, Esq., of Victoria, to Sarah Caroline, daughter of the late Henry Bayly, Esq., of Bayly Park, Liverpool, and widow of the late W. H. Lowe, Esq., of Eurundarie, near Bundgee.

RICHARDSON—CROZIER—December 7th, at Kulnine, River Murray, by special license, John Richardson, Esq., Manager of the Commercial Banking Company of Sydney, at Wentworth, to Elizabeth, second daughter of John Crozier, Esq., J.P., of Kulnine, Victoria.

ROBBERDS—LENKHAN—August 16th, at San Francisco, by special license, by the Rev. Mr. Scudder, Frank H. Robberds, to Julia, youngest daughter of Daniel Lenehan, Esq., of Sydney.

STREET—LOVELY—December 8th, by Rev. Dr. Bailey, Hurlstone-street, (Free Church of England), Alfred Street, mariner, of Gloucester-street, to Mary Ellen Lovely, eldest daughter of C. Lovely, baker, Pitt-street, Sydney.

TADHUNTER—ASHMORE—November 29th, by the Rev. Dr. Bailey, of the Free Church of England, Brisbane-street, Mr. Joseph George Tadhunter, of Greenwich, England, to Mary Ann, daughter of Mr. Joseph Ashmore, of Holmes, of Leeds.

THORNTON—LAWS—December 6th, by the Rev. P. P. Agnew, Free Church of England, William Edward Thornton, to Mary Ann Laws, eldest daughter of W. Laws, butcher, late of North-Bovs, Kent, England.

TOWNSEND—WHITEHEAD—November 26th, by the Rev. John M'Gibbon, John, the only son of the late Captain Townsend, of Devonshire, England, to Hannah, the eldest daughter of the late William Whitehead, of Manchester, England.

WALKER—MAHONY—November 19th, at St. Mary's Temporary Cathedral, by the Rev. Father John Dwyer, William Walker, Esq., merchant, late of Melbourne, to Julia, youngest daughter of Timothy Mahony, late fireman of the steamer Shamrock, and sister-in-law of Captain Hurley, of this city.

WALSH—LOMAS—November 13th, by the Rev. Dr. Bailey, LL.D., of the Free Church of England, Brisbane-street, Mr. William Walsh, of Queensland, to Jane, only surviving daughter of James and Hannah Nibiet.

WATSON—DOUGLAS—December 9th, by special license, at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. W. S. Donald. W. R. Watson, master mariner, native of Boston, U. S. America, to Catherine, second daughter of Ort Douglass, Cedar-tree Cottage, Camperdown.

WEST—NORMAN—November 27th, at St. Matthias's Church, Paddington, by special license, by the Rev. W. Byrne, Mr. W. West, of Somerset, England, to Miss Elizabeth Norman, of the same place, relict of the late William Norman, Esq., of Paddington.

WILD—DICKENS—November 21st, by special license, at St. Philip's Church, Sydney, by the Rev. A. H. Stephen, Thomas Wild, Esq., of Redfern, formerly of Manchester, England, to Mary Dickins, of George-street, Redfern, late of Manchester, England.

DEATHS.

AKHURST—November 29th, at Circular Quay Hotel, Mr. John Akhurst, boatswain of H.M. ship Salamander, aged 29 years, deeply regretted by all who knew him.

ALEXANDER—December 11th, drowned whilst crossing with a boat from Bundamba to Ipswich, 28 miles from Ipswich, Queensland, Beaufort, Somerset, aged 24 years and 10 months, third son of Lewis and Flora Alexander, of Bankstown and Brighton, Sussex; also, grandson of the late Jacob Aarons, Esq., Beaufort, of Bath, and nephew of Mrs. Lewis Harvey. Much and highly respected by a large and numerous circle of friends and acquaintances in the Australian colonies, who deplore their loss.

ALLAN—December 13th, at his residence, Penrith Mills, near Penrith, Mr. William Allan, aged 70 years.

ARMIT — December 9th, at Darling-street, Balmain, the only child of Charles Armit, aged 10 months.

BAMFORD—December 15th, at his mother's residence, Campbell-street, Balmain, James Arthur Bamford, son of the late John Bamford, mariner, aged 7 years.

BARNFIELD—December 18th, at Balmain, Fanny Elizabeth, the infant daughter of E. A. Barnfield, aged 2 months.

BARTLEY—November 26th, at 70, Greek-street, Glebe, Sydney, Mr. Richard Bartley, aged 74 years, native of Nant, near Conway, North Wales. Welsh papers please copy.

BAYLISS—November 30th, at Hunter's Hill, Mrs. Elizabeth, widow of the late Mr. Benjamin Bayliss, of Pyrmont, Sydney.

BEAZLEY—November 26th, at Bankstown, Mr. Hugh Wallace, aged 82 years.

BLACKETT—December 6th, at her parents' residence, Baltic Hotel, Pitt-street, Sydney, Martha and Matilda, Jane Harriet, the beloved child of Robert H. and Eliza Blackett, aged 12 months.

BLUMFIELD—November 27th, at her residence, 393, Kent-street, four doors north of Bathurst-street, a long and painful illness, which she bore with Christian fortitude, Katharine Davis, the only daughter of the late Mrs. Hannah Blumfield. Requiescat in pace.

BOSS—December 13th, at William-street, Balmain, James, the youngest son of Mr. Joseph Boss, aged 1 year and 5 months.

BOUCHER—December 15th, at his son-in-law's residence, Currency Lass Hotel, Glebe Road, Mr. Thomas Boucher, aged 72 years.

CAMPBELL—December 11th, at the residence of Alexander Stuart, Esq., Miller's Point, John, second son of Charles Sutton Campbell, Esq., of London, and of Port St. Mary, in Spain, aged 28 years.

CASHMAN—November 24th, at his residence, Purleigh House, Kingston, Newtown, John J. Cashman, Esq., in the 40th year of his age, leaving a wife and four children to mourn their loss.

CHAPMAN—December 13th, at 293, George-street, Mr. Edward Chapman, aged 51 years.

CHERRY—December 2nd, on the steamer ship Kent, on her passage from Melbourne to London, Henry Cherry, Esq., aged 42 years.

CLARKE—December 6th, Harriet Mary, the infant daughter of the late William Clarke, Balmain, aged 6 months.

CLARK—December 1st, at Ryde, Mr. James Clark, aged 68 years, eldest son of the late John Clark, Esq., manager of the Clyde Works, Renfrewshire.

COLE—December 6th, at the residence of her sons, 106, Kingstreet, Newtown, relict of the late Captain James L. Cole, aged 81 years, leaving a large family to mourn their loss.

COLRAINE—December 13th, at the Infirmary, from an accident received in George-street, on Wednesday last, Mr. Daniel Colraine, cab proprietor, 24, Charles-street, Hyde Park, aged 31 years.

COLWALL—December 13th, 1865, at her residence, Denison-street, Kingston, Newtown, in the sixty-sixth year of her age, Margaret Colwall, native of the county Wexford, Ireland. Also, on the 27th of October, 1866, at his residence, Denison-street, Kingston, Newtown, Richard Colwall, in the sixty-third year of his age, native of the county Wicklow, Ireland.

CURR—October 23rd, at Woolongong, in the 75th year of her age, Martha, relict of the late Mr. John Curr, formerly of Belle Vue House, Sheffield, and more recently of Wollongong.

EICHLER—September 21st, born Borken, Prussia, Phillipine Eichler, in her 62nd year, relict of the late Rev. L. Eichler, and beloved mother of Dr. Charles T. Eichler, of Sydney.

ELLIOTT — November 19th, at her residence, Derwent-street, Glebe, Ellen Josephine Elliott, aged 20 years, the beloved wife of Robert Elliott, common carrier, Illawarra.

FERRIER—December 11th, at his residence, 365, Kent-street South, Mr. Alexander Ferrier, aged 59 years.

FITZPATRICK—November 19th, at Tamworth, Mr. Jeremiah Fitzpatrick, aged 77 years.

FULLAGAR—December 9th, at his parents' residence, Western Road, John, the beloved son of William and Hannah Fullagar, aged 18 years and 3 months, of consumption.

FUTTER—December 15th, at Jacqua, Bungonia, Jane, the beloved wife of John S. Futter, Esq., aged 36 years.

GARVIN—November 25th, at the residence of her parents, Port Macquarie, Harriet Alice, aged 2 years and 8 months, youngest daughter of Henry Garvin, Esq., Sub-Inspector of Police.

GASSE—November 19th, at Wagga Wagga, Mary Ann, the beloved wife of Frederick Gasse, aged 38 years.

GLENN—November 28th, at Surry Hills, Louisa Jane, infant daughter of William and Elizabeth Glenn.

GRAHAM—November 21st, at Carronhill Cottage, Derwent-street, Glebe, Edgar, fourth son of James and Lina Gracie.

GRENFELL—At Narramene, near Dubbo, from the effects of a wound received while resisting an attack made by two armed bushrangers on her Majesty's mail, John Granville Grenfell, Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Port Bourke District, aged 34, eldest son of Admiral John Pascoe Grenfell, of Liverpool, England.

HILL—December 11th, at Bulianaming-street, Redfern, Ellen, the infant daughter of Francis and Martha Hill, aged 14 months.

HILLIAS—December 11th, at his residence, Myrtle Grove, Macleay River, John Hilliar, sen., a native of Horsington, Old England, aged 52 years, much respected by all who knew him. May he rest in peace.

HOFFMEISTER—November 24th, Ernest Henry Louis Hoffmeister, aged 7 months.

HOME — December 6th, at his residence, Durham-street, Bathurst, James Stirling Home, Esq., solicitor, late of Littleborne, aged 51 years.

HOURIGAN—December 16th, at the residence of her grandmother, Mrs. Barr, Crown-street, Kate Caro

Victorian Railways.
Secretary's Office, Melbourne,
December 4, 1866.

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The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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HENRY MILLER
Commissioner of Railways.

NELSON GOVERNMENT DEBENTURES.—Superintendent's Office, Nelson,
November 22, 1866.

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1850	£650	£557
1853	3,350	5,858
1856	12,550	17,412
1859	27,000	66,556
1862	56,000	143,543
1865	100,279	310,717

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Sydney, 7th November, 1866.

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Richard Binnie, Esq.
Henry Ferris, Esq.
SOLICITORS,
Messrs. M'Carthy, Son, and Donovan.

HEAD OFFICE, SYDNEY.
A. H. Richardson, General Manager.
Richard Pillar, Acting Assistant Manager.
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J. A. Larnach, Acting Inspector (Queensland).
BRANCHES IN NEW SOUTH WALES.
West Maitland—John Bridge, manager
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Grafton—N. Dewhurst, ditto
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Singleton—H. P. Stacy, ditto
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Forbes—G. A. Greville, ditto
Taree—H. Macdermott, pro manager
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Warialda—J. Westbrook, ditto
Sofala—C. W. Favell, ditto
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Melbourne and Victoria generally—The Bank of Victoria.
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The Bank grants drafts and credits on all its Agents and Branches at current rates; negotiates produce bills with documents; discounts commercial paper; collects dividends on local stocks for its customers, free of commission; and is open to transact every kind of banking agency.

By order of the Board,
A. H. RICHARDSON, General Manager.

AUSTRALIAN JOINT STOCK BANK.—Incorporated by Act of Council of the Colony of New South Wales, 1853.

Capital paid up £598,510
Reserved Fund 84,705

An Agency Branch of this Bank was opened at WEDDIN, EMU CREEK GOLD FIELDS, on 3rd instant.

By order of the Board of Management,
A. H. RICHARDSON, General Manager.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.—An AGENCY of the Corporation has been THIS DAY established at the EMU CREEK GOLD-FIELD, WEDDIN MOUNTAIN.

S. MURRAY, Manager.
Sydney, 28th November, 1866.

SYDNEY INFIRMARY AND DISPENSARY.—The undermentioned articles being required for the establishment of the Sydney Infirmary, persons willing to supply the same are requested to forward TENDERS, addressed to the Secretaries, on or before MONDAY, the 24th instant, at 10 o'clock a.m.

Beef (without bone), at per lb.
Mutton, ditto, at per lb.
Veal, ditto, at per lb.
Pork, ditto, at per lb.
Mutton chops, at per lb
Legs of beef, weighing 14 lbs. each, at per leg
Salt breasts of mutton, at per lb.
Salt beef, at per lb.
Bread, at per lb.
Flour, fine
Maize meal
Milk, at per quart (PURE). To be tested by a Lactometer at each delivery.
Coal, best Newcastle screened, at per imperial ton of 2240 lbs.
Coffins, at each, and to supply a horse and driver
Potatoes.

Tenders to be for six months, and endorsed "Tenders for Supplies for Sydney Infirmary." Those for bread and flour must be accompanied by samples of the articles.

The contractors for the bread, flour, milk, and meat will be subject to the following conditions:—

1st. That the bread shall be delivered daily at the Infirmary in Sydney, before the hour of 7 a.m., the meat by 6 o'clock a.m., and the milk by 6 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m., in such quantities as shall be specified in a notice from the storekeeper, to be given to the contractor, or left at his place of business, on or before 6 in the evening previous to its being required to be delivered.

2nd. That the beef and mutton be delivered in HIND and FORE quarters ALTERNATELY.

3rd. That all the articles to be furnished by the contractors shall be of the VERY BEST KIND, according to the quality specified in the advertisement.

4th. That the bread be baked in loaves of fine flour, of 2 lbs. and 6 ozs. and 4 ozs. each, as may be required by the storekeeper.

5th. That if the articles delivered by the contractors shall, in the opinion of the storekeeper, not be of the quality or weight contracted for, he shall be at liberty to reject the same; and in case the contractor shall neglect to supply another article for that so rejected, he (the storekeeper) will be authorised to purchase other articles, and charge the same to the account of the contractor, subject always, in case of any dispute in reference thereto, to the determination of a Board of Survey, to be constituted as follows:—that is to say, three or more acting members of the committee, who shall have full power to decide thereon, and the decision of such three members, or two of them, shall be final and conclusive.

6th. That the contractors shall, with two sufficient securities, enter into a bond of such amount as shall be required by the committee for the due fulfilment of the conditions of the contract.

N.B.—Intending contractors are informed that the above conditions WILL BE RIGIDLY ENFORCED.

All further particulars may be ascertained at the Sydney Infirmary.

The Directors do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

JOHN DOUGALL, } Joint Hon.
M. H. STEPHEN, } Secs.
Sydney, 11th December, 1866.

TENDERS for the ASYLUM FOR DESTITUTE CHILDREN, Randwick, for the year 1867.—The undermentioned articles being required for the above Institution, persons desirous of supplying the same are requested to forward tenders on or before THURSDAY, 27th instant:—

Beef, of the best quality, by the quarter, at per lb.
Ditto, in suitable joints, at per lb.
Prime salt beef, at per lb.
Mutton, of the best quality, by the sheep, at per lb.
Veal and pork and suet, ditto, at per lb.
Best screened Newcastle and Wollongong Wallsend coals, at per ton of 2240 lbs.
Ironbark billet wood, per ton of 2240 lbs.
Ditto ditto ditto, in lengths of 9 inches, ditto.

Tenders will also be received for the conveyance of members of the committee, on Wednesdays, to and from Randwick, leaving King and George streets, at quarter past 2 o'clock, and returning between 4 and 5 p.m.

Tenders to be addressed to the Superintendent, at the Asylum, Randwick, from whom all further particulars may be obtained.

A. H. STEPHEN, Hon. Secretary.

TO BUILDERS.—TENDERS will be received on 31st instant, for the erection of two HOUSES with outoffices in Crosse-street, Woollomooloo.

Mason and brickwork will be let separately. Plans and specifications at the Office of Mr. THOMAS ROWE, Architect, No. 7, Vickery's-chambers.

SOLICITOR'S PRACTICE, town of Bathurst.—For SALE, by private contract, the BUSINESS of the late James Stirling Home, Esq.

TENDERS will be received up to noon of MONDAY, 24th instant, by parties willing to purchase.

Catalogues of law books and inventory of office furniture can be seen, and further particulars obtained, on application to MORT and CO.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Notice is hereby given that I, JOHN WILLAMSON, of Ebenezer Cottage, George-street, Redfern, near Sydney, do hereby intend to apply, on the last day of the present term, to be admitted an Attorney, Solicitor, and Proctor of the Supreme Court of New South Wales, I having formerly served under articles of clerkship to the late John Ernest Robberds, Esquire, of Sydney, and lately under articles of assignment to George Frederick Benbow, Esquire, of Sydney.

JOHN WILLIAMSON.

IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATE of EDWARD RAMSAY, of Balmain.—All parties having claims against this estate, who have not sent in their accounts and signed the deed, will please do so at once, preparatory to the payment of a first dividend, otherwise they will be excluded therefrom.

R. PILLAR,
JOHN KERR, } Trustees.
S. FREEMAN,
Sydney, December 20th, 1866.

IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF JOHN BRADY, George-street, George-street.—All CLAIMS against this estate are requested to be rendered, without delay, to the Office of Mr. BAASS, 227, George-street, to enable the Trustees to declare a dividend.

JOHN HURST,
A. H. J. BAASS, } Trustees.

IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF LOVE AND SONS.—A Second DIVIDEND of TWO SHILLINGS in the £ is now payable at the Office of the undersigned, No. 227, George-street.

A. H. J. BAASS, Accountant.

NOTICE.—The time fixed for opening the tenders for the supply of fresh meat to the Government of New Caledonia has been POSTPONED from the 15th January to the 15th February, 1867.

NOTICE.—To Bankers, Merchants, and Consignees.—Messrs. CHAS. MOORE and CO., Pitt-street, have the pleasure of informing the above that they have just completed a large and commodious STORE with an extra SALE-ROOM, in addition to and adjoining their present premises, which will enable them to receive either for storage, for auction, or for sale by private contract, five thousand tons of merchandise.

These extra Stores and Sale-rooms have been built for the purpose of affording greater accommodation for large lots of goods in cases of salvage or insurance, where plenty of room is required for classification and sorting prior to sale.

Sydney.

SYDNEY MECHANICS' SCHOOL OF ARTS.—MEMBERS are informed that, in accordance with the By-laws, the Library of this Institution will be closed on SATURDAY, December 15th, on which date all books must be returned, or be subject to the fine on over-due books.

JOHN T. HOBBS, Secretary.

SYDNEY MECHANICS' SCHOOL OF ARTS.—Cards of Membership for the Year and Half-year, commencing January 1st, are now ready for issue.

SUBSCRIPTION.—Yearly, 20s; half-yearly, 10s.

The advantages offered to members comprise—

ADMISSION to READING-ROOM, containing a regular supply of upwards of 100 British, French, German, American and Colonial Newspapers, Magazines, and Reviews; also, a Library of Reference, consisting of Encyclopedias, Directories, files of HERALD and EMPIRE, GOVERNMENT GAZETTE, Parliamentary Papers, &c.

Use of CIRCULATING LIBRARY, consisting of upwards of 12,000 volumes, to which constant additions of latest works are made.

Admission to Lectures, various Classes, several of which are Free; Chess and Draughts Club, &c.

Payment of £5 constitutes a LIFE MEMBER.

For further particulars apply to the Secretary and Librarian.

JOHN T. HOBBS.

WINDSOR DISTRICT.—In the ASSIGNED ESTATE of WILLIAM ALDERSON.—All persons indebted to this Estate are hereby informed that, unless their ACCOUNTS are paid before the end of the present month, they will be sued at the ensuing District Court—no exceptions will be made. Accounts may be paid to Mr. CADDEN, or Mr. GOSPER, of Windsor; or to Mr. J. SANDAY, whose receipts alone will be acknowledged.

TANNERY FOR SALE.—In the ASSIGNED ESTATE of WILLIAM ALDERSON, of Windsor.—For SALE, a first-class compact Tannery, situate in the heart of Windsor, comprising dwelling-house, kitchen, servants' rooms, stabling, granary, some twenty pits, vats, tools, bark-grinding machine, drying rooms over the pits, currying and rolling rooms, and every requisite for carrying on an extensive business; the whole having been erected by Mr. Alderson, who spared no expense whatever to form a complete establishment.

Full particulars may be obtained of either of the trustees.

W. GOSPER, Windsor,
J. D. G. CADDEN, Windsor,
JAMES VICKERY, George-street, Sydney, } Trustees.

TO INVALIDS and CONVALESCENTS.—"Münchner Bier" on SALE, at HAZELAND'S, Wine Merchants, Phœnix Wharf.

BRETT AND CO., HORSE AND CATTLE SALESMEN, STOCK AND STATION AGENTS, General Auctioneers.
Established 1847.

REGULAR SALES OF HORSES, SHEEP, LIVE STOCK, AND PRODUCE,
at the Bazaar, Pitt and Castlereagh streets, every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, and FRIDAY, at 11 o'clock.

FAT CATTLE,
AT THE CATTLE YARDS,
Annandale and Petersham,
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, and THURSDAY, at 2 p.m.

Good secured paddocks. An experienced drover will be sent to meet live stock on receipt of advices.

S. C. BURT and CO., Horse and Carriage Bazaar, 272 Pitt-street, and 134, Castlereagh-street, Sydney, Horse and Cattle Salesmen, Commission and General Agents.

Sales by auction every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 11 o'clock.

VICTORIA SALE YARDS, PETERSHAM.

HARRISON and JONES, Auctioneers, &c., having leased the above Yards from Edward Flood, Esq., are now prepared to receive fat cattle and sheep for sale.

Stock forwarded direct to them for sale will not be charged any yard fees, but will have the use of commodious paddocks provided for that purpose.

ACCOUNT SALES rendered and proceeds paid within THREE DAYS after each sale, such CASH PAYMENTS guaranteed by the undermentioned gentlemen.

HARRISON and JONES,
Auctioneers, Stock and Station Agents,
78, King-street, Sydney.

Referring to the above we hold ourselves responsible that this arrangement will be carried out.

EDWARD FLOOD,
RICHARD JONES.
Sydney, 9th July, 1866.

WOOL, SHEEPSKINS, TALLOW, HIDES, &c.—IRWIN and TURNER late Durham and Irwin).

The undersigned continue to receive Wool, Sheepskins, Tallow, Hides, &c., for sale or shipment, and will make liberal advances thereon.

Circular Quay, 7th June. IRWIN and TURNER.

SQUATTING AGENCY.—The undersigned is prepared to undertake the agency of a few first-class sheep establishments, and to make advances on wool liens or other approved securities in connection with them.

W. GLEN WALKER.
Treasury-buildings, George-street,
Sydney, 29th November, 1866.

WILLIAM E. POTTS and CO., Forwarding Agents Great Northern Railway, Singleton, will esteem it a favour if all goods to their address or care are shipped per A. S. N. Company, via Newcastle, thence per rail, unless specially ordered otherwise; and constituents will also confer a favour by giving these instructions when ordering goods.

In all cases goods should be accompanied with letter of advice.

TO BUILDERS, CONTRACTORS, and others.—The undersigned having reduced their prices for iron castings, are now prepared to supply cast-iron columns, girders, and other plain castings at 14s per cwt.; also, pilasters, balcony railings, and gates, at considerably reduced prices, having lately received from England a number of new patterns.

(Signed) P. N. RUSSELL and CO.

The highest cash price given for old cast-iron, pewter, copper, and brass.

TO GRAZIERS and OTHERS.—G. M. PITT, Stock and Station Agent, and Cattle Salesman, Post Office Chambers, opposite the Commercial Bank, George-street.

Sales of sheep and cattle at Fullagar's, and at the New Smithfield Yards, Annandale, near Sydney. I have also made arrangements to sell sheep in small lots in the city.

Cash advanced on stations and stock sent for immediate sale.

TO GROCERS, WHOLESALE DEALERS, and others.—The undersigned having been appointed Sole Agents in Sydney for Messrs. CROSSE and BLACKWELL, are prepared to receive orders for all descriptions of Oilmen's Stores comprised in their printed lists, which will be forwarded and executed with care and punctuality, and got up in the style and of the quality which have constituted for the goods of Crosse and Blackwell such universal approval and esteem.

R. TOWNS and CO.

CHANGE OF AIR, KURRAJONG.—The undersigned, formerly Steward of the Australian and Union Clubs, and late of Clark's Family Hotel, is prepared to afford accommodation to families desiring to enjoy the benefit of mountain air and the pleasures of mountain scenery. Bowenmount is nearly 1500 feet above the level of the sea; a magnificent view is visible from the cottages, embracing in the foreground the undulating hills and farms of the Kurrajong; in the middle ground the cultivated flats of the Hawkesbury, with the towns of Penrith, Castlereagh, Enfield, and Richmond, Windsor, Pitt Town, and Wilberforce, in the distance Sydney, with the whole county of Cumberland, and at the northern and southern extremities Argyle and the Hunter River.

Many miles of road have been opened along the mountain ranges for rides, drives, and walks, each leading to various striking prospects or connecting the several parts of this picturesque district.

The undersigned will make arrangements for accommodating visitors with the means of visiting the most beautiful spots, and hopes by civility, the strictest attention to cleanliness, with liberal supplies to the table and well cooked, to afford satisfaction to gentry who may honour him with their patronage.

Address P. DONNELLY, Broom Hill, Wheeny Creek

SOUTH KURRAJONG.—CHANGE OF AIR.—Parties wishing to visit this beautiful district can be accommodated on very reasonable terms, where the cooking and baking is good. Hor

WOOLLEN DEPARTMENT.
DENISON HOUSE.

THOMPSON and GILES announce with pleasure that their WOOLLEN DEPARTMENT has been again replenished with
AN ENTIRELY NEW STOCK
of plain and fancy WEST OF ENGLAND CLOTHS,
VENETIANS
MELTONS
SATTARAS
DOESKINS
TWEEDS in a variety of textures and mixtures
CHEVIOTS
SILK MIXTURES.
THOMPSON and GILES would invite especial attention to the above goods, which have been manufactured expressly to their order (extra woaded) and can therefore be
CONFIDENTLY RECOMMENDED
for keeping their colour to the last, and will stand
THE TEST OF THE AUSTRALIAN CLIMATE.

TAILORING DEPARTMENT
at DENISON HOUSE.
This department now forms a very
IMPORTANT BRANCH
of the business, and offers facilities for gentlemen wishing to give their orders for any description of garment. The services of an
EXPERIENCED FIRST-CLASS CUTTER,
favourably known to the gentry of Sydney and the country generally, have been secured, whose interest it is to furnish the gentlemen favouring us with their orders.
A FIRST-CLASS STYLE AND FINISH,
COMBINED WITH STRICTLY MODERATE CHARGES.
GENTLEMEN FROM THE COUNTRY are invited, when visiting Sydney,
TO REGISTER THEIR MEASURES
AT DENISON HOUSE.
PATTERNS of any description of Cloth will at any time BE FORWARDED FREE OF EXPENSE on a written application being made.

LIVERIES
of every shade and colour made to order.
This branch consists of
LIVERY CLOTHS
DITTO VALENCIA VESTINGS
PLUSHES
DRAB CASSIMERES
OXFORD AND STEEL CASSIMERES
HATS WITH GOLD OR SILVER BANDS
COCKADES, &c.
PAGES' SUITS.
THOMPSON and GILES,
Denison House. IMPORTERS.

DENISON HOUSE, so delightfully situated, and of such superior accessibility by all the public conveyances, is at this season pre eminently distinguished for the complete assortment of
BOYS' and YOUTHS' CLOTHING of EVERY DESCRIPTION.
The arrangements for making up first-class clothing on the PREMISES, present the following advantages:—
1st. Superior quality of material
2nd. Superior workmanship
3rd. Superior cut and finish.
Every exertion is made to confer ease and comfort, grace and elegance, to the wearer.
Young gentlemen returning home for their Christmas vacation and holidays, will at once recognise in DENISON HOUSE the most
FASHIONABLE GARMENTS,
for best and second suits, to be seen in Sydney.
Boys' cricketing suits
Boys' outdoor and boating suits
Boys' best black suits
Boys' office suits
Boys' country suits.

BOYS' JACKET SUITS
in blue diagonal, fancy tweeds, sattaras, silk mixtures, colonial tweeds, and black cloth.
BOYS' and YOUTHS' SAC SUITS,
in the same materials.
Boys' vests
Ditto trousers.
BOYS' WHITE LINEN SHIRTS.
Boys' silk crimson shirts, drawers
Flannel shirts, white and fancy colours
Cricketing shirts
Boating shirts
Socks, in brown cotton, dressed cotton, merino, thread, and silk
Braces, indiarubber, cotton and silk
Ties, gloves, scarfs, belts
Felt felt and straw hats, of every description
Leghorn hats
Cloth caps
Grass cloth fishing hats
Portmanteaus, leather bags, satchels, &c., &c.
THOMPSON and GILES,
Denison House.
Manufacturers and Importers.

READY-MADE CLOTHING.
THOMPSON and GILES are selling
Drill trousers and vest to match, for 15s.
COLONIAL MANUFACTURE.
Very superior drill trousers and vests to match, 22s 6d.
COLONIAL MANUFACTURE.
Best quality West of England trousers and vests to match, in stripes and fancy mixtures, 30s.
COLONIAL MANUFACTURE.
The largest selection, in Sydney, of tweed suits,
ALL COLONIAL MANUFACTURE.
Linen, grass cloth, and flannel sacs,
COLONIAL MANUFACTURE.
Black and coloured alpaca sacs,
COLONIAL MANUFACTURE.
THE UNIVERSAL QUILTING VESTS, 3s 6d each (worth 7s 9d),
in white, buff, drab, and light brown.
Tweed, flannel, and silk mixed suits,
COLONIAL MANUFACTURE.
Gents' black frock coats
Ditto walking ditto
Ditto DUKE OF EDINBURGH COATS
Prince of Wales, Paget, and Exhibition coats.

BLACK TROUSERS AND VESTS.
These are made from the best of cloths, and can be guaranteed.
THOMPSON and GILES.
Denison House.

FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.
THOMPSON and GILES respectfully announce that they have received a choice collection of
FANCY ARTICLES
for Christmas presents.
FANS.—For church, opera, ball, and evening parties
COMBS.—Fancy back, steel, studded tortoiseshell, inlaid gold, pearl, &c., &c.
PINS for the hair, and silver and gilt appointments
ALBUMS.—Papier-mache, ivory, pearl, morocco, and painted leather covers
CLASPS.—In silver, cameo, jet, steel, crystal, jasper, chrysolite, medallion.
The choicest collection ever imported.
PERFUMES.—Breidenback's, for the handkerchief and toilet—

Bounce Bouquet	Jockey Club	Wood Violet
Frangipani	New-mown hay	Early Spring
Jessamine	Forget-me-not	flowers
Lily of the Valley		Moss Rose

Fruit Soaps, in boxes
Perfume grapes, for the handkerchief
Lavender water, Rimmel's, and genuine eau-de-cologne
LADIES' BAGS, PURSES, RETICULES—In best morocco leather, kid, &c.
Travelling bags
Handsome walnut wood work and glove boxes
NOVELTIES IN STEEL BROOCHES—
Steel and gold mixed
Jet and pearl
Jet and steel
Cameo, steel mounted, &c., &c.
EARRINGS—In jet, steel, and crystals
Silver thimbles, tatting shuttles
Hair brushes, in pearl, ivory, tortoiseshell backs.
A new and varied assortment of TRIMMINGS, consisting of
The new satin gimp
Crystal drops
Beaded guipure
Pompon trimmings
Ruches, plain, trimmed cluny, stamped cluny, and pearl beaded
Drop, flat, fancy and other buttons to correspond
Cameo buttons, gilt buttons, silver buttons, porcelain crystals, &c.
Mantle and jacket ornaments, sets, &c.
Machine goods of every description.
THOMPSON and GILES, Haberdashery and Fancy Importers.

HATS FOR THE HOLIDAYS.
THOMPSON and GILES have just received a very large and well-selected stock of
SUMMER HATS,
FOR GENTLEMEN'S AND YOUTHS' WEAR.
Straw—split and pearl
Italian straw
Leghorn
Tuscan
Speckled straw
Felt—drab and grey
Shell hats
The Emperor Paris silk
BROAD LEAF and HIGH CROWN HATS.
THOMPSON and GILES,
DENISON HOUSE.

LADIES' and CHILDREN'S HATS for the Holidays.
THOMPSON and GILES have a very extensive variety of hats for ladies' and children's wear.
Every description of STRAW
LEGHORN and TUSCAN
MUSHROOM HATS, in white, brown, and black
Trimmed hats and bonnets, in great variety
Gossamer and crepe veils, &c.
THOMPSON and GILES,
DENISON HOUSE.

BARGAINS IN MUSLINS FOR CHRISTMAS.
THOMPSON and GILES have reduced a large quantity of
PRINTED MUSLINS,
all new patterns this season.
No. 1—12 YARDS FOR 6s 9d
No. 2—12 YARDS FOR 9s 9d.
Fast colours
THOMPSON and GILES,
Denison House.
Cash Buyers.

FINE FRENCH PRINTED MUSLINS,
of unsullied freshness and beauty, from the celebrated
CONTINENTAL PRINTERS AND DESIGNERS,
Messrs. Gros, Roman, Marozeau, and Cie.,
Koechlin, Frères, &c.
ORGANDI
MULL
JACONNET.
EXQUISITE MUSLIN ROBES
(including the Trimmings printed to match).
FRENCH CHINTZ MUSLINS
White checked muslins
REVERE AND SWISSE CHECK ditto
Railway stripes
WHITE MUSLINS FOR DRESSES AND JACKETS
GRENADINES, in profusion
SUMMER JACKETS, MANTLES, AND SCARVES,
in profusion
SUMMER SHAWLS, pretty designs and very light, in profusion.
THOMPSON and GILES,
Denison House,
Cash Buyers and Importers.

VICTORIA HOUSE.
FARMER, PAINTER, and POPE
have much pleasure in announcing that the several departments in their
GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTING ESTABLISHMENT
have been carefully replenished for the
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.
Their stock of READY-MADE GARMENTS is especially worthy an inspection, as it embraces every variety of style and texture of material. More than ordinary care has been bestowed in the production of each article, and only such goods are submitted for sale, as can be confidently recommended for colour and durability. The following goods are well adapted for wear at the present season:—
China silk sacque coats
White alpaca demi sacks
Black alpaca kensingtons
China grass cloth demi sacs
Black alpaca clerical coats
Drill trousers and vests to match
Black and coloured alpaca vests
Marcella and grass cloth vests.
Gentlemen's Department, 271, Pitt-street.

FARMER, PAINTER, and POPE take this opportunity of enumerating a few specialities in their really first-class assortment of
GENTLEMEN'S HOSIERY,
now showing at Victoria House—
Gentlemen's Eureka Shirts, with modern wristbands, from 40s per half-dozen
Gentlemen's Dress Shirts, with bands for evening wear, in all sizes
Gentlemen's Button Behind Shirts, in every size, from 14 to 18 inches
Silk Crimean Shirts, in durable colours
Printed Cambric Shirts, in particularly neat designs
Gauze and Lisle Thread Half-hose
China and India Silk and Muslin Turbans
New Silk Fearfs, beautiful designs
Gentlemen's Shirt Cases for travelling
Basil and Solid Leather Portmanteaus
Pearl, Gold, and Plated Collar Studs, Solitaires, &c.
VICTORIA HOUSE, 269, 271, and 275, Pitt-street.

SUMMER WOOLLENS.
Messrs. FARMER, PAINTER, and POPE respectfully intimate to gentlemen requiring clothing made to order that every facility is presented at their establishment for selecting materials to be made up. All piece goods are selected from the best West of England manufactories, and to these are added the most permanent colours obtainable in colonial productions. Only the best workmen are employed.
N.B.—Ladies' riding habits, and boys' and youths' clothing made to order.

SUMMER HATS.
FARMER, PAINTER, and POPE
deem it advisable to state that they have made considerable reductions in their stock of
BOYS', YOUTHS', and GENTLEMEN'S STRAW HATS.
They are now submitting useful hats for boys' and youths' wear, at 1s 6d and 2s 6d each; also fine Leghorn Hats, at 6s 6d.
Gentlemen's Outfitting Department, 271, Pitt-street.

NEW SILKS.
ADVANTAGEOUS PURCHASES
RICH BRIGHT GLACES, WIDE AND DURABLE.
No. 1—£1 12s 6d the dress, 12 yards
2—£1 15s 6d the dress, 12 yards
3—£1 19s 6d the dress, 12 yards
4—£2 2s 6d the dress, 12 yards
5—£2 5s 6d the dress, 12 yards
6—£2 7s 6d the dress, 12 yards
7—£2 11s 0d the dress, 12 yards
8—£2 12s 6d the dress, 12 yards
9—£2 15s 0d the dress, 12 yards
10—£2 17s 6d the dress, 12 yards.
GEORGE CHISHOLM and CO., 390, George-street.

1866.—NEW SPRING DRESSES.
New washing grenadines, 4s 9d 12 yards
New striped alpacas, 7s 11d 12 yards
New washing foulards, 4s 11d 12 yards
New Syrian llamas, 9s 9d 12 yards
New washing grenadines, 4½d per yard
New royal stripes, 12s 9d 12 yards
New Mexican chenes, 16s 9d 12 yards
New Arabian glaces, 10s 9d 12 yards
New crystal grenadines, 9s 9d 12 yards
New wire ground grenadines, 5s 11d 12 yards
New Pekin cloth, 12s 6d 12 yards
New challis pure, 13s 9d 12 yards
New Russian poplin, 12s 9d 12 yards
New wire ground grenadines, 5½d per yard
New sylvan lustres, 15s 9d 12 yards
New chene grenadines, 6s 9d 12 yards
New figured carmelites, 16s 9d 12 yards
New chene grenadines, 6¾d per yard.
GEORGE CHISHOLM and CO.,
390, George-street.

SUMMER DRESSES.
Muslin Dresses, 16 yards, fast colours, 4s 11d the dress
Organdie Muslins, fast colours, 3½d per yard
French Printed Muslins, 6¾d per yard.
GEORGE CHISHOLM and CO.,
390, George-street.

MIDSUMMER VACATIONS, 1866, 1867.
BOYS' and YOUTHS' CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.
OUTFITTING HATS and CAPS.
In contemplation of the approaching Christmas season, we have made special arrangements by which young gentlemen returning home for the holidays, can be supplied with every requisite for Seaside and Country wear. The delay usually incurred in the preparation of fresh outfits can now be dispensed with.
Long years of study, efforts, and experience in getting up the assortment for these departments, warrant us in asserting that our stock now includes the style and taste of almost every individual customer, and parents who may be unable to accompany their sons may rely upon having every attention and care taken in the selection with due regard as to fit, material, quality, and price.
From constant practice and great experience, the cutters who are retained for boys' clothing only pay especial attention to the wants of growing youths, and while ensuring an easy, perfect, and graceful fit, take every care they are not easily destroyed for the want of being made sufficiently roomy to enable them to move about without restraint or feeling uncomfortable.
We wish particularly to call attention to some very beautiful and entirely new styles in Boys' and Youths' Clothing, especially adapted for country and out-door wear in this climate, made from carefully selected materials—dark, strong, elastic, and durable, but still light, and not easily torn, giving youths every freedom of exercise without fear of easily injuring their clothes.
Particular care and forethought have been exercised in the selection of materials from which the school and indoor clothing are made.
Considerable additions have been made to the boys' outfitting department, and will comprise a most numerous assortment of white and coloured flannel shirts and drawers, cotton singlets and drawers, merino under shirts and drawers, cricketing shirts and drawers, boating shirts and drawers, white shirts with or without collars, coloured shirts with or without collars, youths' and boys' socks and stockings, indiarubber and cotton braces and belts, tom thumb, ariels, beaufort ties, collars and ties, cravats and scarfs, in every shape, size, and quality; felt hats, straw and leghorn hats, cloth caps, &c., &c.
GEORGE CHISHOLM and CO.,
390, George-street.

THE PRETTIEST Christmas Present for a Lady is 6 pairs of HOBSON and WHITING'S best Kid Gloves in a SACHET PARFUME.
No. 3, Hunter-street.

B. MOUNTCASTLE, Manufacturing Hatter and sole Choco Maker to the Rifle Battalions, has much pleasure in informing the public that he has just landed a large stock of Woodrow's, Townend's, and other makers, best and most fashionable black and drab hats, French felts, Yeomens, Prince of Wales, Doncasters, Ascots, washing hats, helmets, &c. Hats and caps made to order.
Address: 352, George-street (opposite his old established premises), and 64, Market-street.

GLASS SHADES IN ALL SHAPES AND SIZES
Mrs. WILLIAM READING, IMPORTER,
90, and 92, MARKET-STREET, SYDNEY.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.
SUMMER CLOTHING.
DAVID JONES and COMPANY desire to draw the attention of Gentlemen to their extensive stock of
HOLIDAY APPAREL,
in every variety of the newest materials, comprising
White Twilled Silk Sacs
Tussore Silk Sacs and Vests
White and Coloured Alpaca Sacs and Vests
French Merino Sacs and Vests
Military White and Coloured Drill Trousers and Vests
Silk mixed suits
Agathon Vests and Dust-coats
Also a large assortment of
YOUTHS' and BOYS' HOLIDAY SUITS.

In the MERCERY DEPARTMENT
D. J. and CO. have just opened a large assortment of HATS, for Gentlemen, comprising the newest shapes, in Black Silk and Drab Shell
Ellwood's Air-chamber Helmets (in shapes adapted for warm climates)
Ford's Linen Washing Hats and Caps
Low-crown Felt and Straw Hats (in all the newest styles)
Real Indian Turbans.
Their stock of Gents' COLLARS includes all the newest shapes, viz:—

All Right	Oxonian	Climax
Cambridge	Othello	Shakespeare
Don	Dane	West End
Our Prince	Ich Dien	Belvedere.

Ribbon TIES, in the Derby, Croquet, and other styles.
Light Summer Scarfs, in the new washing silks.
Sun Umbrellas, parasol frames (very light), in all colours.
Portmanteaus, Leather and Carpet Bags.
345 and 347, George-street.

FLOOR CLOTHS.
New patterns for halls, stairs, lobbies, and public rooms, just received.
D. JONES and CO.

THE NEW CARPET ROOM.
DAVID JONES and COMPANY are now displaying a splendid variety of patterns in carpets for dining and drawing rooms. Also, neat patterns for small rooms and libraries, and in permanent colours, for hotels and public offices.
AT MOST MODERATE PRICES.
Carpet Warehouse,
George and Barrack streets.

CHEAP HAT WARRHOUSE, 273, Pitt-street.—W. C. RENWICK
Has just opened a large lot of Infants', Girls, and Ladies' Mushroom Hats, in pearl straw, tuscan, and satin straw. These goods, having been bought for cash, will be found to be remarkably cheap.
Ladies' mushroom hats, large size, 2s 11d, 3s 11d, 4s 11d
Black, brown, and white ditto ditto, 3s 11d, 4s 11d, 5s 11d
Ladies' tuscan mushroom, large size, 6s 11d
Ditto black satin straw mushroom, ditto, 5s 11d, 6s 11d
White, black and brown pearl straw mushrooms
Girls and infants' pearl straw and tuscan mushrooms
Ladies' white and black sailors' hats, wide rim, 1s 11d
Ladies' underclothing, plain and trimmed
Thompson's covered skirts, 2½ yards wide
New shape eylet skirts, 2½ yards wide—12 rows, 3s 11d; 17 ditto, 5s 11d; 20 ditto, 7s 11d; 30 ditto 10s 11d
Thompson's coloured skirts, 18 rows, 1s 11d; 20 ditto 2s 11d
White calico, yard wide, 6½d; grey ditto, 5½d
White sheeting, 1s 11d; grey ditto, 14½d
Sun umbrellas, 5s 11d, 6s 11d; lined parachutes, 3s 11d
Josephine gloves, 2s 11d, equal to first choice
Jouvin's stitched back, 1s 11d; white ditto, 12½d
Black silk jackets, new shapes, 16s 9d, 18s 9d
Black cloth jackets, ditto ditto, 5s 11d, 8s 11d, 10s 11d
Scarlet, drab, and coloured clasp stays, 2s 11d, 3s 11d
Muslin needlework, from 6½d yard
Silk check mohairs, from 6¾d; spot delaines, 5½d
Washing grenadines, fast colours, 7½d
Washing delaines, checks, stripes, 6½d, 10½d
Christmas presents
Cheap albums, for 50 portraits, 2s 11d, 3s 11d
Ditto, handsomely bound, 4s 11d, 5s 11d
Brooches, necklets, soaps, perfumery, fancy goods.
W. C. RENWICK, 273, Pitt-street.

CARPETS AND FLOORCLOTHS.
HODGSON and ALBERY have just landed, ex Nourmahal, 74 pieces of
FIRST-CLASS CARPETS,
all new and choice patterns, suitable for every description of room, in
4 and 5 frame BRUSSELS
Patent TAPESTRY
Rich VELVET PILE, 1¼ yard wide
Victoria-bordered CARPETS, with
HEARTH RUGS to match.
HODGSON and ALBERY call particular attention to the above goods, believing them to be the choicest assortment of carpets every imported.

PATENT FLOORCLOTH, well-seasoned, in marble, tile, and carpet patterns, from 2 to 24 feet wide.
Carpets, blinds, and draperies made and fixed in a superior style.
HODGSON and ALBERY,
Carpet and Floorcloth Warehouse.
351, George-street.

LACE, MUSLIN, AND LENO CURTAINS, 3 cases, just landed, in rich APLIQUE, GUIPURE, and TAMBOUR LACE.
Cornices, Fringes, Poles, &c.
HODGSON and ALBERY,
Furnishing Drapers.

SUMMER GOODS.—On SALE by the undersigned, at 375, George-street, Sydney:—
Ladies' best kid elastic side boots, M. heels
Ladies' best paris ditto, patent toes, ditto
Ladies' best paris all kid, M. heels
Ladies' best black merino E.S. boots, pps.
Ladies' best ditto ditto ditto, M. heels
Ladies' best paris cashmere ditto, patent toes, M. heels
Ladies' best paris all cashmere, M. heels
Ladies' best bronze kid E.S. boots, ditto
Ladies' best white marsala E.S. boots, ditto
Ladies' best patent empress boots, ditto
Ladies' best patent sultanes ditto, ditto
Ladies' best white kid shoes
Ladies' best white marsala ditto
Ladies' best bronze kid shoes
Ladies' best black kid shoes
Ladies' best black lasting shoes.
A very choice assortment of
Ladies' fancy slippers, in bronze, kid, black satin, grass cloth, and coloured felt.
JAMES VICKERY,
375, George-street,
Sydney.

GIRLS' and CHILDREN'S SUMMER BOOTS and SHOES.—On SALE by the undersigned, at 375, George-street, Sydney:—
Girls' and children's black kid E.S. boots, pps.
Ditto ditto, M. heels
Ditto black merino E.S. boots
Ditto coloured ditto ditto
Ditto bronze ditto ditto
Ditto bronze kid shoes
Children's coloured kid shoes
Ditto coloured morocco balmorals
Ditto coloured felt E.S. boots
Ditto coloured felt hungarian and button boots.
JAMES VICKERY,
375, George-street,
Sydney.

NO NAME FOR THEM, or Oriental Mysteries.—Just received per Mail. M'MAHON, next City Bank.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.—A Singing Canary and Fancy Cage, for 25s; a Pair of Budgerygars and Cage, for 15s; a Rose Cockatoo and Cage, for 12s 6d; small birds and cage, from 8s. Also, Fishing Lines and Tackle, and Fancy Pigeons, suitable for young people. E. EASTWAY and SONS, 425, George-street, next to Lassetter's.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.—Messrs. BRUSH and MAC DONNELL respectfully inform the public that, preparatory to a dissolution of partnership, they have resolved on offering their well-selected and
VALUABLE STOCK OF
WATCHES, JEWELLERY, STERLING SILVER PLATE, and other articles, at a
GREAT REDUCTION IN PRICES.
The superior character of their importations, and the favourable reputation enjoyed by the firm for many years, renders exaggerated statements unnecessary as to the quality of the goods, or the substantial advantages now offered to purchasers.
BRUSH and MAC DONNELL, 326, George-street.

LADIES' GOLD WATCHES—best London manufacture
LADIES' PENDENT EARRINGS—new Parisian patterns
LADIES' DRESSING CASES—silver mounted and elegantly fitted
FINE GOLD JEWELLERY—of every kind, now on SALE, at
UNUSUALLY LOW PRICES.
BRUSH and MAC DONNELL,
326, George-street.

SINGER and CO.'S LOCK-STITCH SEWING MACHINES. — GREAT REDUCTION IN PRICES.—In consequence of the increased demand for SINGER and CO.'S unrivalled Lock-Stitch Sewing Machines, we are now enabled, and have this day REDUCED THE PRICES nearly FIFTEEN PER CENT. The superiority of these machines over all other sewing machines requires no comment. Their simplicity, durability, and beauty of stitch is universally acknowledged. They stitch, hem, fell bind, gather, tuck, quilt, braid, and, in short, will do a greater variety of work than the sewing machine of any other manufacturer. Price, with braider, £12 10s. No charge for instructions to purchasers.
STANFORD and CO.,
307, George-street.
Sydney, October 23rd.

CONGOU TEA.—For SALE, Congou Teas ex SeaBird and Magnolia.
HENRY MOORE.
Moore's Wharf, September 26.

INDENTS.—The undersigned are prepared to execute indents for all classes of Goods from Great Britain on moderate terms. LORIMER, MARWOOD, and ROME, 30, Hunter-street.

INDENTS.—The undersigned are prepared to execute Indents for the manufactures of the following houses on the most liberal terms, which can be ascertained on application:—
Drugs and Chemicals (all descriptions) from Messrs. Langton, Scott, and Edden, Upper Thames-street, London.
Perfumery, Scented Soaps, Brushware, and every description of Fancy goods, from Messrs. Phillipson and Co., Budge-row, Watling-street, London.
Pickles, Fruits, Jams, Oil and Italian goods, from Messrs. Copland and Co., Bury-street, London.
Galvanized Iron, from Messrs. Phillips and Hill, Birmingham.
Ironmongery and Plated ware, from Messrs. John Benson and Co., Newhall-street, Birmingham.
Also, every description of Merchandize, through their agents in London, Liverpool, Paris, and Belgium.
MONTEFIORE, JOSEPH, and CO., 4, O'Connell-street.

MUNTZ'S METAL and Nails. MONTEFIORE, JOSEPH, and CO.

WOOLPACKS, 3-bushel Bags, Gunny Bags, Calcutta Lines. MONTEFIORE, JOSEPH, and CO.

BLACK FENCING WIRE, 10 tons No. 4. MONTEFIORE, JOSEPH, and CO.

BRANDY.—Martell's and Hennessy's dark Lecoq Freres', dark and pale, hogsheads and quarters
Riviere, Gardeat, and Co.'s 1863, dark, in hogsheads
Lecoq's, Hennessy's, and Martell's, in cases
Low case brandy, various qualities and brands.
Rum—Lemon Hart and Son's, 30 o.p.
Old Tom—Vickers's celebrated bell brand, and Besnard's
Geneva, key brand; whisky, in wood and bottle
Port and sherry, wood and bottle, various brands
Champagne—Piper's, and various other brands
Claret, low, medium, and very superior, in case
Ale, in glass; Bass's and Allsopp's, bottled by Byass
Byass's stout; Barclay's porter and Allsopp's, bottled by Friend; Truman's, bottled by R. Porter and Co.
Vermouth, absynth, liqueurs.
MONTEFIORE, JOSEPH, and CO.

MAURITIUS SUGARS, large and small mats
TEAS, congous, hysonskins and orange pekoe
Barry's chicory, new Patna rice, Java rice
Copland's oilstores (assorted invoices), jams, bottled fruits
Keen, Robinson, and Belville's mustard and blue starch
Robinson's oatmeal, pearl barley, split peas
Ehrensperger's royal laundry blue, currants, fruits
Lea and Perrins's Worcester sauce, vinegar
Carbonate of soda, tartaric acid, cream of tartar
Castor oil, Phillipson's half-pints hair oil
Phillipson's perfumery, soaps, violet powder
Arsenic, sheepwash tobacco, bluestone
Paperhangings, stationery (assorted cases), printing papers.
MONTEFIORE, JOSEPH, and CO.

HOPS—KENT, '65—NOW LANDING.
MONTEFIORE, JOSEPH, and CO.

NEW PROVISIONS and GROCERIES, ex Walter Hood, and Colonial Empire.
Prime N. W. cheese, hams, bellies and middles of bacon
Champion's vinegar, Potts's ditto, Hill and Evans's ditto
Soda crystals, whiting, castor oil, currants, raisins
Barcelona nuts, Colman's white starch, corks
Sardines, ¼ and ⅛; bluestone, Epsom salts
Brown and Polson's corn flour, arrowroot
Tartaric acid, cream of tartar, bleached and brown ginger.
MONTEFIORE, JOSEPH, and CO.

FOR SALE, by the undersigned.—Brandies—Martell's, Hennessy's, Vinegrowers, Planat and Co.'s, United and Champagne Vineyard Co.'s, pale and dark, in hogsheads and quarter-casks
Rums—Lowndes' 30 o.p.
Sherries—Gonzalez and Dubosc's, medium to choice bottling qualities
Ports—Offley, Crump, and Co.'s single to six-grape, OWC, &c.
Beers—Lion Brewery Co.'s London Stout, London and Colonial Co.'s No. 3 Burton ale; Victoria Stores bottled K. I. pale ale, stout, and extra stout; Byass's porter Allsopp's and Bass's ale (bottled by R. B. Byass)
Champagne—Cliquot's, Silliery, Oeil de perdrix
Dundee Goods—Websters, Fergusson's, Bell's and Dickson's superior canvas; 3-bushel bags, woolpacks (10½ lbs.), 27 and 28 inch woolbagging, seaming and roping twine, bolt-rope, cordage, &c.
Blasting powder, Breidenbach's perfumery
Milner's safes, axe-handles, &c.
Dried fruits, Morton's oilmen's stores
Hector's preserved provisions
Linseed oil (boiled and raw), &c., &c.
SCOTT, HENDERSON, and CO.

VINEGROWERS' COMPANY OF COGNAC.—The undersigned, having been appointed SOLE AGENTS in New South Wales for the above Company, have for SALE shipments, in bulk and case, of their highly approved Brandies.
SCOTT, HENDERSON, and CO.
Sydney, 9th June, 1866.

ADELAIDE FLOUR.—Magarey and Co.'s superfine, for SALE by SCOTT, HENDERSON, and CO.

PERUVIAN GUANO for SALE, at the following rates:—

For 20 tons or over	.. £13	0 per ton.
For 10 " "	.. 13	5 "
For 5 " "	.. 13	10 "
For less than 5 tons	.. 14	0 "

Apply at Farrelly's Wharf; or to SCOTT, HENDERSON, and CO., 322, George-street.

WILLIS, MERRY, and LLOYD have for SALE:—Bass's Ale and Truman's Stout, bottled by R. Porter and Co.
Brandy, Hennessy's, Martell's, and Vine Growers
Wine, French, Rhenish, and Madeira
Champion's Vinegar, and Oilmen's Stores
Dray Covers, Tarpaulins, and Canvas
Slates, Guano, Salt Beef, Kauri Logs

ON SALE, by the undersigned
Brandies—Hennessy and Co.
Associated Vineyard Cultivators' Company
Bonniett Central Society, Rinart
Rouillac, 200 Proprietors' Grape Vine Cultivators' Company
Claret—case, all qualities; claret in bulk
Burgundy, vauterne
Champagne, sparkling wines, all qualities
Curaçoa, maraschino, noyeau, anisette, and assorted liqueurs
Brandy colouring, eau de cologne
Patés, truffles, and game
Champignon's, truffles, in tins
Absinthe, "Pernod" and "Lopellietier"
Vermouth, Noilly, Prat, and Co.
Anchovies in oil, chocolate des Princes
Loaf sugar, assorted syrups, velvet wine corks
White beans, green peas, in 1-lb. tins
Salad oils, French mustard, macaroni, and vermicelli
Sardines, in ¼ boxes
Tomato sauce, preserved vegetables
Mineral water, French billiard table
Garden seats, French felt hats
French nails, bottling machines, capsules for bottling.
CURCIER and ADET, 23, Macquarie-place.

ON SALE, at the Stores of the undersigned—Paperhangings, a large and well selected stock
Pilcher's genuine white lead, in firkins
Blundell, Spence, and Co.'s boiled and raw oil, in hogsheads, barrels, and drums
Turpentine, colza, neatsfoot oil, in drums
Cocoanut oil, in bottles
Blundell, Spence, and Co.'s, and Robinson's white lead, in 14 lb., 28 lb., and 56 lb., 25s to 40s per cwt.
Greens, blue, red, black, yellow
Raw and burnt Turkey umber, raw and burnt sienna, patent driers in oils
Mander, Brothers, and Nobbs and Hoare's coach and house painters' varnish, from 14s to 30s per gallon
Varnish, for ladies' fancy leather work, 16s per gallon
Kent's superior coach and house painters' tools
Brushware, sable liners, writers' combs, tips, &c.
A great variety of grainers' tools, together with every article in brushware line in stock
Plate glass, all sizes, window glass
Sheet, 16 oz., 21 oz., 26 oz., and crown
Stained glass, cut all sizes
Whiting, in 3 cwt. casks, £6 per ton
Dry colours, 20s per cwt.
Kerosene oil, best brands; lamps
Globes, chimneys, wicks, &c.
Tar, resin, pitch, cement, plaster paris, copperas, logwood, together with every article in the oil and colour trade.
J. MURPHY and SON, Oil and Colour Merchants, 23, Parramatta-street.

FOR SALE by the Undersigned.—Canvas, assorted numbers, &c.
Three-bushel sacks
Coir rope, fibre and yarn
Wrapping paper, paper bags, assorted bales, &c.
Flour mill, millstones, millbelts, &c.
Horse-powers
Zinc sheets, ϕ 8, 9, 10, and 11 gauge
Quicksilver
Whitelead, paint
Sheepwash
Eau de cologne
Preserved fish in tins
Chili flour
Rum
Brandy, Martell's, dark and pale, in hogsheads, and quarts
Ditto, Central Society's, in bulk and case
Ditto, Denis H. Mounie and Co.'s, and others in bulk and case
Port and sherry in hogsheads, quarters, and cases.
GILCHRIST, WATT, and CO.

CASTLEMAINE AMBER ALE, hogsheads, half-hogsheads, and kilderkins, on SALE by
LORIMER, MARWOOD, and ROME,
Agents, 30, Hunter-street.

SECONDS FLOUR, at 10s. per 100 lbs., bags included. PEMELL'S Mills, Sydney.

EARTHENWARE WATER-CLOSET basons and traps, with or without self-acting valves, for SALE or fixed. Galvanized iron tanks and baths made. Water laid on, &c. J. &. BROWN, 320, Pitt-street.

KINGSFORD'S OSWEGO PREPARED CORN, sold everywhere, in 1 lb. and ½ lb. packets.

KINGSFORD'S OSWEGO PREPARED CORN, has saved thousands of children's lives.

KINGSFORD'S OSWEGO PREPARED CORN, makes the finest puddings and custards.

KINGSFORD'S OSWEGO PREPARED CORN, the most nourishing food for invalids.

KINGSFORD'S OSWEGO PREPARED CORN, Purchase no other brand.

VINEGAR, in quarter-casks and cases, cheap. D. J. MONK, Wattle-street, Sydney.

OTARD'S first-class BRANDIES, in case and bulk. S. L. BENSUSAN, 4, Bridge-street.

WILLCOX and Gibbs's Family Sewing Machines. B. B. Hebblewhite, 432, George-street nr. Rl. Hotel.

AMERICAN COOKING and ROASTING STOVES, all sizes. B. B. HEBBLEWHITE, 432, George-st.

FOR SALE, SODA WATER MACHINE (Tyler's), just unpacked, will make from 40 to 50 dozen per day. Instructions given, and recipes for Soda, Tonic, Seltzer, Lemonade, and other aerated waters; well suited for a country hotel. B. PALMER, Pitt and King streets.

FOR SALE, at the Stores of the undersigned:—Woolpacks, full weights
Tea, in chests, half-chests, and boxes
Ex Omer et Julie, Sea Bird, Magnolia, Fromm, Dodo.
Three-bushel bags, candles
Sardines, in halves and quarters; sauces
Oatmeal, pearl barley
Coffee, W. I. arrowroot, sago, capers
Keeler's confectionery, black pepper, currants
Bottled fruits, pickles, red herrings, soap
Lobsters, oysters, salad oil, caraway seed
Colman's starch, and blue, corn flour
Colman's mustard, vinegar, coarse and fine salt
Vestas, in tins and boxes; castor oil
Swiss cigars, Havannah-shaped cigars
Mauritius and Bourbon sugars
Claret, hock, champagne, sparkling moselle
Sherry, in hogsheads, quarters, and cases
Port wine, in hogsheads, quarters, and cases
Martell's brandy, in hogsheads and quarters
Rum, orange bitters, Dutch liqueurs
Stout, White's and Blood's ale
Barclay's and Blood's stout
Soda crystals, peel in tins
Martell's and Hennessy's case brandy
Twist tobacco, Ragland's, Baldwin's, &c.
Genuine Havannah cigars.
FRANCK, BROTHERS, and CO.,
Pitt-street, opposite Oriental Bank.

YORK HAMS
English bacon, and in tins
North Wilts and Royal Arms Cheshire cheese
Eleme raisins and Patras currants
Muscatels, figs, and French plums
Almonds, Barcelona nuts, and walnuts
All kinds of potted game, meats, and fish, Bologna and Oxford sausages, for picnic parties
Huntley and Palmer's biscuits, superior assortment
RUSSIAN CAVIARE
Choice selection of wines, spirits, and beer.
BENNETT, BROTHERS,
Tea Dealers, Grocers, and
Wine Merchants,
482, George-street.

EX LA HOGUE.—300 Finnis and Fisher's finest York HAMS, selected by Captain Williams expressly for PEATE and HARCOURT, Grocers and Wine Merchants, 258 and 260, George-street.

EX PARRAMATTA.—300 Finnis and Fisher's finest York HAMS, selected by Captain Williams expressly for PEATE and HARCOURT, Grocers and Wine Merchants, 258 and 260, George-street.

VERY FINE TEAS.—PEATE and HARCOURT have just received, ex Trinculo, a parcel of very superior Black Teas, of the first growth, and selected expressly for their family trade. 258 and 260, George-street.

CAMDEN PARK FRESH ROLL BUTTER received twice a week, to be obtained only from PEATE and HARCOURT, Grocers and Wine Merchants 258 and 260, George-street.

YORK HAMS, Taylor's best quality, and North Wilts cheese, ex Parramatta; selected to the order of the undersigned. ROBERT MILLER, Grocer, Clarence and Erskine streets.

BREADSTUFFS.

ADELAIDE FLOUR ..	Hart's superfine
	Hart's household
	Hart's seconds
	Duffield's superfine
	Duffield's fine
	Giles and Smith's superfine
	Johnston Brother's superfine
	Stevens's superfine.
CALIFORNIAN FLOUR..	National Mills, ½ and ¼ sacks
	Golden Gate Mills, ½ sacks.
DITTO WHEAT	Prime fresh parcels
CHILIAN FLOUR.....	Del Carmen brand, ½ sacks

ON MONDAY, December 24th, at 11 o'clock.

Clearing-out Sale, prior to the New Year, of Miscellaneous Merchandise, consisting of
3 Cases Saddles
1 ditto Bridles
2 ditto Gig Harness
2 ditto Fireirons
1 ditto Fenders
19 Coils French Rope
1 Case Sealskin Capes
1 ditto Dressing Cases
1 ditto Workboxes
1 ditto Playing Cards
2 ditto Hair Brushes
1 ditto Cutlery
A quantity of sundries, consisting of Meerschaum Pipes, Cigar Cases, Sardines, Vinegar, Bottled Porter, and other miscellaneous goods too numerous to mention.

To Saddlers, Ironmongers, Buyers of Fancy Goods, Dealers, and others.

MESSRS. SOLOMON and FRANCIS will sell by public auction, at their Rooms, 309, George-street, on MONDAY, December 24th, at 11 o'clock sharp,
A quantity of miscellaneous merchandise, as above, without the slightest reserve, in order to clear them out prior to the New Year.
Terms, cash.

MAGNIFICENT SQUATTING PROPERTIES, in those most favoured districts of LIVERPOOL PLAINS and the GWYDIR.

MORT and CO. have been instructed by the PROPRIETOR to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11 o'clock, on TUESDAY, the 15th JANUARY,
The following sheep and stations, being a portion of the CELEBRATED RUNS OF J. C. LLOYD, Esq., M.P., and comprising some of the VERY CHOICEST PASTORAL PROPERTIES IN THE COLONIES,
and situate in the Liverpool Plains and Gwydir districts.

LOT 1.
MILLIE NORTH, GOORALLIE and BUMBLE, consisting of a vast extent of the very BEST SHEEP COUNTRY to be found in Australia, with ABUNDANCE OF WATER and GRASS for a LARGE INCREASE of STOCK.

Millie North has about twelve miles frontage to Waterloo Creek, permanent water, with a back line to the Mooman Creek from six to ten miles distant; has six stations from which the flocks water on both creeks; and now has on it upwards of 18,000 sheep, with PERMANENT CAPACITY for a VERY MUCH LARGER NUMBER.

Gooralie and Bumble adjoining, and above Millie, are on Myall or Gooralie, Boomuchidil, the Plane, Manamol, and Millie Creeks, and make THE MOST MAGNIFICENT SHEEP RUN IN THESE COLONIES.

There are six sheep stations on the Plain on the left bank of Myall Creek, and five stations on the right bank (three miles distant therefrom), to which water is now carted for the use of the hut; two stations on Tycanah Creek, one on Little Bumble or Millie, and three on Manamol, all by the system now practised, being placed within reach of the PERMANENT NEVER-FAILING WATER IN MYALL CREEK.

On the Downs above are the Haystack, Boo Boo, Kareen, Tea Tree Gully, Black Mill, Bald Hill, and Gooralie wells, sunk nine and ten feet square, four of which have been severely tested by watering at least 5000 sheep each daily; the others are now under preparation for supplying a still greater number, thus providing when completed for at least 60,000 ADDITIONAL SHEEP to be brought into water from stations around, three and four miles distant on the Downs. The wells are furnished with horse whims, 50 gallon iron buckets, self-acting delivery into Tanks holding 3000 gallons of water, discharging into 600 feet troughing, worked in the most admirable and easy manner; with one horse and man water can be drawn for 2500 sheep in about one hour. These works have cost an immense sum of money within the last 12 or 18 months, thus SECURING UNDER THE PRESENT LAND ACT THE OCCUPATION AND PROFIT OF THIS RUN UNDER PRESENT LEASE FOR THE ENSUING NINE YEARS.

The whole of these runs are intended, and are now all but prepared by the present occupier, to maintain and fatten to the highest degree not less than from 160,000 to 180,000 SHEEP; and with fencing (the material for which the isolated small scrubs of Belah and Pine, the only timber on these Downs, will provide very cheaply, without the necessity of a mile of wire), the GRAZING MAY BE ENORMOUSLY DEVELOPED. Flocks are always run from 2500 upwards.

On Millie there are a first-rate homestead (the former proprietor's residence), new stores, kitchen, stable, goodjbush wool shed, stock yards, sheep yards, and a very large paddock. There is also an excellent Public house let for five years, at £100 per annum, built on purchased land (about 400 acres).

At Gooralie, there are superintendent's cottage, stores, kitchen, stable, blacksmith's shop, and a most superior bush wool shed, sheep and drafting yards, &c., in which sheep have hitherto been shorn, and two very large paddocks. And at Haystack and Windandilla Stations, are two superior overseer's cottages, stores, &c., making the whole the very finest and exceptional run in the colonies. With Millie North, Gooralie, and Bumble, will be sold the following stock:—

4460 more or less ewes, full mouthed, to lamb in February and March next
4540 ditto ditto, 4 years old, ditto
3000 ditto ditto, 3½ years old, ditto
3000 ditto ditto, 3 years old
3000 ditto ditto, 2½ years old
3000 ditto ditto, 2 years old
3000 ditto ditto, 1½ year old
3000 ditto ditto, 1 year old
3000 ditto ditto, 9 months old
700 ditto rams, a fair proportion of the station flock
5600 ditto wethers, 3½ years old
5000 ditto ditto, 3 years old
5000 ditto ditto, 2½ years old
6000 ditto ditto, 2 years old
6000 ditto ditto, 1½ year old
6000 ditto ditto, 1 year old

63,700 more or less.

* Drays, horses, bullocks, stores, implements, &c., &c., to be taken by the purchaser at a valuation.

LOT 2.—WALLAH RUN comprises Baran Bah North, Wallah and Tibberina, and has a frontage to the Namoi River of 23 miles by 12 to 24 miles back, the back country being watered by Maul's and Ballows Creeks, and Duryah and Dreel Springs and Creeks.

There are eight front stations, with wells at each, at a distance of 3 or 4 miles from the river. On Mon Plain and 3 miles back there is MAGNIFICENT FEEDING ROUND for two stations, used for winter fattening, at which a certainty exists of obtaining a full supply of water for increased summer grazing if required.

The above wells and works completed during the last 12 or 18 months secure under the present Land Act the occupation of these runs, under present lease, for the next seven or nine years, and are estimated as fully and permanently providing for
50,000 to 55,000 SHEEP.

With the Wallah Run will be sold the following sheep:—

1454 more or less ewes, full mouthed, to lamb next February
1560 ditto ditto, 4 years old, ditto
1500 ditto ditto, 3½ years old, ditto
1500 ditto ditto, 4 years old
1640 ditto ditto, 3 years old
1860 ditto ditto, 2 years old
1630 ditto ditto, 1½ year old
1480 ditto ditto, 1 year old
300 ditto ditto
2108 ditto wethers, 3 years old
2040 ditto ditto, 3 years old
1910 ditto ditto, 2½ years old
2070 ditto ditto, 2 years old
2004 ditto ditto, 1½ year old
2100 ditto ditto, 1 year old
1400 ditto ditto, 9 months and upwards

5,166 more or less.

* Drays, carts, horses, working bullocks, stores, plant, to be taken by the purchaser at a valuation.

MORT and CO. beg to draw especial attention to the sale, as the proprietor is desirous that all intending purchasers
SHOULD INSPECT BOTH SHEEP and COUNTRY
prior to the sale, and thus judge for themselves of the value of the property.

MORT and CO. refrain from making any comment on the advantages this sale offers to all who WISH TO INVEST IN REALLY FIRST-CLASS SHEEP and station property, knowing that all they could say would but give an inadequate idea of the value of
THESE TRULY EXCEPTIONAL SHEEP and RUNS.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

Positive Sale, by order of the Mortgagee.

QUEENSLAND.
BOWEN, PORT DENISON.

Extensive first-class Properties, TULLICK, GLENDING, and KILBOGIE, situate in the District of North Kennedy, together with 12,976 SHEEP, more or less.

MORT and CO. have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11 o'clock, on TUESDAY, 5th March,
The extensive first-class properties, known as Tullick, Glen King, and Kilbogie, situate in the
DISTRICT OF NORTH KENNEDY,
about 70 miles distance from Bowen.
These runs will be sold
12,976 SHEEP, more or less,
a proportion of which are Breeding Ewes, and 3281

At the risk and on account of the former Purchaser.

Broken Back Bridge Toll-gate.

MR. JOHN TAYLOR has been instructed by the Commissioners of the Parramatta Road Trust to sell by public auction, at the Court-house, Parramatta, on FRIDAY, 28th instant, at 12 o'clock noon,
The lease for one year, commencing on 1st day of January, 1867, of the tolls and dues to be collected at the Toll-gate, at Broken Back Bridge.
The lessee will be required to enter into a bond in double the amount of rent, with two responsible sureties, for the due observance of the conditions of the lease, and the regular payment of the rent by equal monthly instalments, before the expiration of seven days after the termination of each month.
Further particulars may be known on application to E. L. ROWLING, Clerk and Treasurer.
December 19th.

CUMKILLENBAR STATION, Darling Downs District,
consisting of about 106,000 Acres, of which 1957 have been purchased, together with the Sheep, Horses, Stores, &c., upon the Station.

ROBERT KELLETT has received instructions from the proprietors to offer the above first-class sheep property for public competition, on the 1st March, 1867, if not previously disposed of by private contract.
For full particulars apply at the office of the Auctioneer, George-street, Brisbane.

WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

BALGOWNIE ESTATE, WOLLONGONG.

Nine Acres and 38½ perches, being Lot 9 of the subdivision of Buckland's Grant, situate about 2½ miles from the Town of Wollongong, on the new line of road to Bulli.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, Sydney, on FRIDAY, 28th December, at 11 o'clock,
The above described desirable block of land.
Plan on view at the Rooms.

TO SMALL CAPITALISTS.

CHIPPENDALE.

ABERCROMBIE-PLACE
WATTLE-STREET
CECIL-PLACE.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 28th December, at 11 o'clock,
The lease for 21 years of building allotments of land, very eligibly situated in Abercrombie-place, Wattle and Cecil streets, Chippendale, each having from 20 to 25 feet frontage.
These allotments are in the centre of a very populous district, and are most conveniently situated for the residence of mechanics and others whose work requires them to reside in the city.
LITHOGRAPHIC PLANS of the sub-division may be obtained at the Rooms, and as each allotment is pegged and marked on the land, no difficulty can occur in identifying and selecting the lots.
Terms at sale.—Copy of lease may be inspected at the Rooms.

FOR UNRESERVED SALE.

TWO COTTAGES, Nos. 196 and 198, BOURKE-STREET, WOOLLOOMOOLOO, on the north side of the MAIN ENTRANCE to the RESIDENCE of the Honorable E. DEAS THOMSON, C.B., and a few yards south of WILLIAM-STREET.

COTTAGE, No. 33, HARRINGTON-STREET, adjoining Mr WOOD'S PROPERTY, opposite the WATERMAN'S ARMS INN, and the top of GLOBE-STREET.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions from Mr. John Armitage to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 28th December, at 11 o'clock,
LOT 1.—ALL THAT ALLOTMENT OF LAND, having 30 FEET frontage to the EAST SIDE of BOURKE-STREET, WOOLLOOMOOLOO, with a depth of 80 feet, extending and having a frontage of 30 feet to a reserved lane, 15 feet wide, at the rear, and described as lot 3 of section 5, as per plan of a subdivision made by the Honorable E. DEAS THOMSON, together with the TWO WELL-FINISHED COTTAGES, Nos. 196 and 198, containing each 4 rooms; one of which is built of BRICK, and the other of STONE; with slated roofs, good yards, water laid on, &c., at the rear.
, This is a desirable compact CITY INVESTMENT, situated in the best part of BOURKE-STREET, a few yards from William-street, and now realising a rental of £72 16s per annum.
LOT 2.—Allotment of Land, having 20 feet 4 inches frontage to HARRINGTON-STREET, extending back and having a frontage of 20 feet 9 inches to CAMBRIDGE-STREET, upon which, and fronting the former street, is erected A STONE-BUILT COTTAGE, containing two rooms and attic, with shed, good yard, water laid on, &c., at the rear.

☞ Mechanics and others in search of a small residence close to the shipping and wharves, and near the centre of the city, are directed to the sale of the above.
Plans at the Rooms.
Terms at sale.

At Charker's Inn, Bowral, SATURDAY, 29th December.

TOWNSHIP OF BOWRAL, WINGECARRIBEE.

These extensive Premises, formerly ROBINSON'S STORE AND PUBLIC-HOUSE, close to the proposed RAILWAY STATION, and one of the best positions in the township of Bowral.

PEREMPTORY SALE.
BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions to sell by public auction, at Charker's Inn, Bowral, on SATURDAY, 29th December,
All that piece of land, having a frontage of 330 feet to Boolevey-street, and 132 feet to Bong Bong-street, being lots 6 and 7 of section 3 of the Bowral township, Wingecarribee, together with the premises erected thereon, known as Robinson's Store and Public-house, containing nine apartments; also, detached cottage and other buildings.

By order of the Trustee of the Will of the late Mr. Hugh Houston Taylor.

CITY FREEHOLDS,
BOURKE-STREET,
SOUTH HEAD ROAD,
CAMPBELL-STREET.

Preliminary Notice.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions from the trustee of the will of the late Mr. H. H. Taylor to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on MONDAY, 28th January, at 11 o'clock,
The following well-known valuable city properties:—
Lot 1.—Mill premises in Bourke-street, occupied by Mr. Laker, miller.
2.—Queen's Arms Hotel, corner of Bourke-street and the South Head Road, occupied by Mr. Ferris.
3.—Dwelling-houses and shops, occupied by Mr. Uhde, butcher, and Mr. Bennett, baker, with large stabling and loft at the rear.
4.—Allotment adjoining Lot 3, occupied by Mr. Bennett and Mr. Challoner, hay and corn dealer.
5.—Allotment at the opposite corner of Bourke-street and the South Head Road, occupied by Mr. Challoner, blacksmith.
6.—Allotment in Campbell-street, extending to Crown-lane, occupied by Mr. Laker.

Plans of these properties are in preparation, and more detailed particulars will be announced in a future advertisement.
Particulars of title may be obtained on application to H. BURTON BRADLEY, Esq., solicitor, Margaret-street.

QUEENSLAND.

MITCHELL DISTRICT.

For Positive Sale,
By order of the Mortgagees.

That extensive first-class Sheep Station known as
BARCALDINE DOWNS,
consisting of two splendid blocks of rich undulating Downs country, well watered and grassed, situated on the ALICE RIVER, at its junction with the BARCOO, about 320 miles from PORT DENISON.

, The improvements are sufficient for working the present number of stock.

With Barcaldine Downs will be sold
12,000 HEAD OF SHEEP, more or less,
mostly ewes and young sheep; of the former about 2500 are to lamb down in March next.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions from the mortgagees to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, Sydney, on TUESDAY, the 5th March next,
The above valuable pastoral property, full particulars of which, with specification of sheep, will be published in a few days.
Terms, liberal,

At Charker's Inn, Bowral,
On SATURDAY, 29th December.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

TOWNSHIP OF BOWRAL
BOWRAL RAILWAY STATION,
WINGECARRIBBEE.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions from J. N. Oxley, Esq., to sell by public auction, at Charker's Inn, Bowral, on SATURDAY, 29th December, at 12 o'clock,
The whole of the unsold portion of the TOWNSHIP OF BOWRAL,
WINGECARRIBBEE,
together with a number of SMALL FARMS on the Wingecarribee Rivulet, surrounding the township.
These farms contain an area of from 5 acres to 20 acres each.

☞ BOWRAL RAILWAY STATION, Southern line, is expected to be open in a few months, and will command the whole of the immense traffic of the celebrated Winecarribee and Mittagong agricultural districts, and of the surrounding country, including the Town of New Sheffield, the Fitzroy Ironworks, Naitai, &c. The township adjoins the railway station, and already a large number of the allotments have been disposed of and built on by the purchasers. The residues are the reserved sites immediately adjoining the station, which will now be offered to public competition, and sold to the highest bidder.
The farms are picked selections of the Wingecarribee Estate. They consist of rich alluvial land, well watered in all seasons.
They are all situated within ten minutes' walk from the railway station, and occupy beautiful positions, commanding extensive views of the lovely scenery for which the Mittagong district is so famous.
The special attention of city gentlemen is directed to this sale, which will afford an opportunity for securing a beautiful site for a country retreat, within four hours' ride by rail from Sydney, and where a complete change of climate and a cool refreshing temperature can be enjoyed.
Lithographic Plans of the town and suburban lots can be obtained on application at the Rooms, Pitt-street, or to Mr. Charker, Bowral.
Terms at sale.

POSITIVE UNRESERVED SALE.

By Order of the ASSIGNEES of the Estate of Mr. JOHN CALDWELL.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on MONDAY, 14th January, at 11 o'clock,
The whole of the unsold properties in the assigned estate of Mr. John Caldwell, comprising
LOT 1—PITT-STREET, CITY OF SYDNEY.
All that piece or parcel of land, being part of allotment No. 12 of section 32 as per plan of the CITY, bounded on the west by the EAST SIDE of PITT-STREET 25 feet, on the north by a line bearing easterly 145 feet; on the east by a line bearing southerly 28 feet 7 inches; and on the south by a line bearing westerly 143 feet 5 inches, dividing it from premises now in the occupation of Mr. CALDWELL, to the point of commencement, upon which are erected those
EXTENSIVE BUSINESS PREMISES,
No. 278, PITT-STREET,
immediately opposite the SCHOOL OF ARTS. They comprise SHOP and SPACIOUS STORES and DWELLING-HOUSE, containing 12 apartments, kitchen with Younger's stove, laundry with copper, bath-room, and other outbuildings.
These premises, from their extent and position, are adapted for a first-class business, or for an hotel. A very tastefully designed balcony and verandah, each 25 feet by 12 feet, have been recently erected in front, and the whole forms one of the most valuable properties in this main thoroughfare for COMMERCIAL PURPOSES.

LOT 2—PADDINGTON.
BLOCK of LAND, having 118 feet frontage to the OLD SOUTH HEAD ROAD, with a depth of 82 feet 9 inches, between the properties of WILLIAM PERRY, Esq., and Mr. TIGHE, being lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 of that portion of the PADDINGTON ESTATE known as Mr. H. S. SMITH'S SUBDIVISION.
It will be offered in one or more lots, to suit purchasers.
TITLE UNDER TORRENS'S ACT.

LOT. 3.—WAVERLEY.
BLOCK of LAND fronting the FRENCHMAN'S ROAD, containing by admeasurement 2 acres, being Lot No. 40, situated immediately opposite the CLERGYMEN'S DAUGHTERS' SCHOOL, and bounded on the north by LEWIS GORDON'S Grant, on the west by the reserve for WESLEYAN CHURCH MINISTER'S RESIDENCE and SCHOOL-HOUSE, and on the south by land belonging to WILLIAM ROBERTS, Esq.
This CHOICE SITE fronts the MAIN ROAD, and is securely enclosed with paling fence.

LOT 4.—BALMAIN.
BLOCK of LAND, having 57 feet 6 inches frontage to DARLING-STREET, with a depth of 104 feet, upon which are erected the following premises, viz.—
A STONE COTTAGE, containg verandah, 4 rooms, with detached kitchen and servants' room, occupied by Captain Arnold.
TWO TWO-STORY STONE HOUSES, containing each 2 rooms.
☞ The above is situated at the east end of BALMAIN, close to the POINT FERRY WHARF, and adjoining the property of JOHN E. MANNING, Esq.

LOT 5.—O'CONNELL'S PLAINS, WESTERN ROAD, 5 ACRES LAND, at the junction of the MAIN BATHURST ROAD and the road leading to CAMPBELL'S RIVER, and bounded on the EAST by the FISH RIVER, together with the LARGE STORE, DWELLING-HOUSE, and other IMPROVEMENTS thereon, now in the occupation of Mr. RENWICK, at an annual rental of £125.
The above is leasehold, having about 61 years to run, at a nominal ground rent.
☞ The whole of the above well-known valuable properties will be positively sold by order of the assignees, to close accounts in the estate of Mr. John Caldwell.

Full particulars can be obtained at the Rooms, where also plans can be inspected.
Terms at sale.

QUEENSLAND.

DARLING DOWNS.

FOR PEREMPTORY SALE TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER.

By Order of the Mortgagees.

THAT VALUABLE FIRST-CLASS CATTLE STATION,
DAANDINE,
situated on the noted DARLING DOWNS, a few miles from the TOWN OF DALBY, and adjoining Messrs. Bell's celebrated JIMBOUR RUN.

With DAANDINE will be sold a very superior Herd of 7000 HEAD OF CATTLE, more or less, and 250 HEAD OF HORSES, more or less.
A well-known Coaching Stud.
Terms at sale.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, Sydney, on TUESDAY, the 8th JANUARY next, at 11 o'clock,
The above valuable and extensive cattle property.

DAANDINE adjoins the township of DALBY, and possesses the advantage of being the first of the outside stations under the new Queensland regulations, which makes it not subject to selections for agriculture, and gives it a longer lease, at a much lower figure than its immediate neighbours, who come within the prescribed boundaries. The character of the country generally is open box forest, very fattening, and abounding in MYALL and SALT BUSH, with sound ironbark ridges. It is well watered by Wilkie Creek, which runs through it from east to west, besides having other large supplies, including Branch, Back, and other creeks, Broadwater, &c.
The improvements comprise HOMESTEAD, containing six rooms, floored, and three others used as stores, &c., kitchen, two huts, and harness room, four-stall stable and loose box; large stockyard with tailing paddock, capable of working 5000 head of cattle; spaying pail, branding, milking, and horse yards. The frame of a very comfortable cottage, and nearly sufficient prepared timber on the spot to finish it. There is also a stockyard at the Duck Ponds, about twelve miles from the head station, for working that part of the run.
The carrying capabilities of the run are estimated at 10,000 HEAD of CATTLE in all seasons; or 25,800 SHEEP and 3000 HEAD of CATTLE, the country, especially adjoining Jimbour, being admirably adapted for sheep.
With DAANDINE will be sold the following stock, viz.:—
7000 HEAD OF CATTLE, more or less, a mixed herd, quiet and well bred.
250 HEAD OF HORSES, more or less, a noted coaching stud, great expense having been incurred in bringing the stock to their present high character.

, Stores, working stock, implements, and all belongings to be taken by valuation in the usual way by arbitration.

☞ In the present rapidly increasing demand for store and fat horned stock for the Southern markets, the above sale offers an opportunity to capitalists which should command their particular notice, and as it is the intention of the vendors to dispose of the station to the HIGHEST BIDDER on the day named, Messrs. Richardson and Wrench invite the attention of intending cattle purchasers to the property, and request a thorough inspection of both country and stock prior to the day of sale.

ORAN PARK, AND NETHERBYASS, BRINGELLY.

These VALUABLE AGRICULTURAL and GRAZING ESTATES contain together 1860 ACRES, situate at the junction of the Cobbity and Great North Roads, having extensive frontage to both. The Improvements comprise ORAN PARK HOUSE, a recently erected COMMODIOUS FAMILY MANSION, with extensive out-offices, spacious cleared cultivation and grazing Paddocks, &c.

Title, unquestionable, full particulars of which may be obtained on application to Messrs. Daintrey and Chapman, solicitors, Elizabeth-street.

TERMS—One-third Cash deposit, and the remaining two-thirds may remain secured by mortgage on the property, for a term of three or five years, bearing interest at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, Sydney, on MONDAY, 14th January, at 11 o'clock,
Those well-known adjoining country estates
ORAN PARK and NETHERBYASS,
containing together 1850 acres of exceedingly well watered land (agricultural and grazing), at the junction of the Cobbity and Great North Roads, about
2 miles from Narellan,
and 7 miles from Campbelltown,
and in the immediate neighbourhood of Maryland, (the seat of Thomas Barker, Esq.) Harrington Park, Raby, Gladswood, Mollesmiss, Wivenhoe, Denbigh, Birling Nonorrah, and other, first-class properties.
A considerable portion is agricultural land; the whole is enclosed and subdivided into paddocks, and about 250 acres are cleared, stumped, and have been in cultivation.
ORAN PARK HOUSE is a very substantial, commodious family residence, on massive stone foundations, thoroughly drained. A wide verandah is round three sides, also covered balcony, supported by lofty iron columns. It contains ten good rooms on the ground and first floors, and kitchen, two servants' rooms, and three cellars in the basement. There is a detached laundry, with two servants' rooms above. The back portion of the premises is enclosed by a high brick wall and close double gates.
The other out-offices include a large new brick-built stable and coach-house, a barn, labourers' houses, and every requisite for the working of an extensive establishment.
The house is well supplied with water by a large underground reservoir, into which the roof-water is directed. This reservoir is fitted with a powerful pump, which forces the water into cisterns for use inside the premises. The estate is also abundantly watered by a never-failing branch of the South Creek and ponds.
The whole of these improvements have been made at a considerable outlay. The house, especially, is completed, both as regards style and convenience, much superior to the usual finish of country residences. It is now ready for immediate occupation, having recently been painted and otherwise improved.
Oran Park Estate (700 acres), with house, &c., and Nethebyass (1150 acres) will be offered and sold either together or separately, to suit purchasers.

☞ To gentlemen seeking in an agreeable neighbourhood a COUNTRY SEAT surrounded by a LARGE AREA OF GOOD PARK PASTURE AND AGRICULTURAL LAND the sale of these properties affords an excellent opportunity for favourable investment.
The extent of the premises, their BEAUTIFUL and HEALTHY POSITION in a FAVOURITE DISTRICT, and their EASY ACCESS TO SYDNEY, render them in every way very suitable for a FAMILY COUNTRY MANSION, or for a SCHOOL or COLLEGE.
The estates, from their proximity to the CAMPBELLTOWN RAILWAY STATION, and the NOTED FATTENING QUALITIES of their PASTURE LAND, possess immense advantages for DAIRYING PURPOSES or for a STOCK DEPOT to supply the METROPOLITAN MARKET.
Special attention is directed to the sale, which will be BONA FIDE, the proprietor having determined POSITIVELY TO REALISE, and to grant, by VERY LIBERAL TERMS, and other advantages, every inducement to purchasers to invest.
Plans on view at the Rooms, where also cards to view may be obtained.

POSITIVE UNRESERVED SALE.

FRIDAY, 25th JANUARY.

MAGNIFICENT INVESTMENTS,
NEW SOUTH WALES and VICTORIA,
well known as the estates of
The Hon. ALEXANDER CAMPBELL, M.L.C.
Yielding a rental of £2400 per annum.

Terms—20 per cent. cash deposit, 30 per cent. by promissory notes at 1, 2, and 3 years' date with 8 per cent. interest added; 50 per cent. any term not exceeding 20 years, bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, both secured by mortgage on the properties.

TITLES, UNEXCEPTIONABLE.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, Sydney, on FRIDAY, 25th January, at 11 o'clock,
The following well-known first-class properties:—

NEW SOUTH WALES.
LOT 1. CUSTOM HOUSE-BUILDINGS,
CIRCULAR QUAY.
All that parcel of Land, having the following frontages
112 FEET 2 INCHES to CASTLEREAGH-STREET NORTH,
112 FEET 2 INCHES to ARGITRATION-STREET,
together with that splendid range of mercantile premises,
CUSTOM HOUSE-BUILDINGS,
recently erected under the direction of Mr. Hume, architect, consisting of FOUR THREE-STORY WAREHOUSES, with separate entrances and approaches, and FOURTEEN SPACIOUS OFFICES, the whole so arranged as to admit of their being occupied together or separately. They are now all let to first-class tenants.

LOT 2. ROSE-HILL DOMAIN, EDGECLIFFE ROAD and OCEAN-STREET, WOOLLAHRA.
This valuable property comprises 10 acres of the CHOICEST PORTION of the Point Piper Estate, held on lease, having about 90 years to run at a ground rent of £100 per annum. About half of the land has been sublet in villa sites for the residue of the term, all of which are permanently improved with first-class residences; the subtenants of this portion of the land paying for the first thirty-three years a ground rent of £100 per annum, after which a gradually increasing rental.
The remaining moiety of the estate, about 5 acres, is known as
ROSEMONT HOUSE and GROUNDS.
This beautifully situated stone-built COMMODIOUS FAMILY MANSION was built specially for the Proprietor's Residence, under the direction of Mr. Hume architect, and occupies without exception, the most valuable position in this favourite and delightful locality, commanding unsurpassed picturesque views of the surrounding much admired scenery, including the harbour of Port Jackson extending to the Ocean.
, ROSEMONT is admitted to be the most substantial, spacious, and conveniently arranged Family Mansion in the colonies, and the grounds, both as regards position and tasteful arrangement, are unsurpassed.

The house has on three sides a magnificent verandah and colonnade, 16 feet in width in front (without exception the finest verandah in the colony). It contains
Hall, 10 feet wide
Dining-room, 35 x 17
Nursery, 19 x 17
Library, 24 x 16
Drawing-room, 26 x 16
Seven large bedrooms,
dressing-room, three bath rooms and patent closets, store room and butler's pantry. The outbuildings are separated from the house by a covered way, and comprise kitchens, laundry, ironing room, store, &c. There is a three-stalled stable, coach-house, harness room, hayloft, &c.
The water supply is inexhaustible, and by powerful pumps is forced to all necessary apartments in the house and out-offices.

VICTORIA,
THE AGRA BANK,
QUEEN-STREET, MELBOURNE.
These eligible handsome and extensive premises are situated near the intersection of
QUEEN AND COLLINS STREETS,
the great leading thoroughfares of the city.
They adjoin the site on which the new Bank of Australasia is about to be erected, and are in the immediate vicinity of the Union Bank, London Chartered Bank, Oriental Bank, Melbourne Banking Company, Bank of New South Wales, Australasian Insurance Company; Southern Insurance Company, &c.
The range of offices on the ground floor, together with messenger's residence in the rear, are in the occupation of the Agra Bank; and the upper floors, containing 16 apartments, with private front entrance, are occupied by Mr. Gell, solicitor, the whole realising a rental of
£750 PER ANNUM,
on lease, having about five years to run.
These premises in 1858 were erected at a cost of £12,000, and occupy an allotment of land having a frontage of 28 feet to Queen-street, extending 95 feet back to a lane at the rear adjoining the newly erected premises of the Australasian Insurance Company.

☞ It is only necessary to state that the whole of these first-class properties are for positive sale (in consequence of the proprietor's projected departure from the colony), to attract the universal attention of capitalists and others to the favourable opportunity for securing permanent sterling investments.
Rent Roll and Plans may be inspected at the Rooms; and fuller information, and Cards to view, may be obtained on application to FRASER and CO., Melbourne; or to MORT and CO. and RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Pitt-street, Sydney.

IMPORTANT SALE OF EXTENSIVE STATIONS in the LACHLAN DISTRICT.

Messrs. F. and G. Desailly's well known
WILLANDRA PROPERTIES,
together with
121,000 SHEEP,
For Sale by Auction,
At Goldsbrough's Wool Warehouses,
In consequence of a Dissolution of Partnership.

R. GOLDSBROUGH and CO. have been favoured with instructions from Messrs. F. and G. Desailly to offer for sale by auction, at their Wool Warehouses, Bourke and William streets, Melbourne, on THURSDAY, the 7th of February, 1867, at 2 o'clock p.m.,
Their magnificent stations, situated on the Willandra, in the Lachlan district of New South Wales, and comprising an area of about
1,000,000 ACRES OF SPLENDID GRAZING COUNTRY.
Together with
121,000 SHEEP,
ages and sexes of which are enumerated below.
These fine properties are too well known to need extended comment from the auctioneers, and it is sufficient to state that they are not excelled in the whole of the Riverine district. The improvements effected have involved a very large outlay, and consist of homesteads, numerous wells and dams, and, in fact, every requisite for efficient management. They are, in short, in thorough practical working order, and purchasers can safely calculate on immediate returns for their investments. The country consists for the most part of open saltbush plains, whilst a large proportion is lightly timbered and thickly grassed, the whole being sound and healthy for both sheep and cattle. Its close proximity to the Melbourne market secures an unfailing outlet for fat stock, while wool can be delivered at the railway station within fourteen days and at very low rates of carriage.
In order to meet the requirements of men of moderate capital, who have hitherto been precluded from investing in squatting pursuits in consequence of the large size of the properties generally offered, the owners have determined to divide these runs into thirteen lots, with which will be sold the number of sheep enumerated. Each run is distinct, and ready for immediate delivery, with the stock specified.

Lot 1.
ALMA STATION.
This run has an area of 64,000 acres, and is watered by a well, in the most perfect working order.
The improvements are out-station huts, yards, &c., and there will be erected, at the cost of the vendors, a four-roomed cottage, as per plan to be seen at the office of the auctioneers.
With this station will be sold 8800 sheep, of the following descriptions, viz.:—
2645 ewes
2182 weaners, equal sexes
3107 wethers
66 rams.
Total, 8000.
A team of six working bullocks, with dray and tackle complete; two whim and four saddle horses, will be given in to the purchaser.

Lot 2.
AVONDALE.
This run has an area of 64,000 acres, and is watered by a well, which is in thorough working order.
The improvements are out-station huts, yards, &c., and there will be erected, at the cost of the vendors, a four-roomed cottage, as per plan to be seen at the office of the auctioneers.
With the station will be sold 8000 sheep, of the following descriptions, viz.:—
2645 ewes
2182 weaners, equal sexes
3107 wethers
66 rams.
Total, 8000.
A team of six working bullocks, with dray and tackle complete; two whim and four saddle horses, will be given in to the purchaser.

Lot 3.
STRATHAVON.
This run has an area of 64,000 acres, and there is a first-rate well, which insures an unfailing supply of water.
The improvements are out-station huts, yards, &c., and there will be erected, at the cost of the vendors, a four-roomed cottage, as per plan to be seen at the office of the auctioneers.
With this station will be sold 9000 sheep, of the following descriptions, viz.:—
2975 ewes
2454 weaners, equal sexes
3496 wethers
75 rams
Total, 9000.
A team of six working bullocks, with dray and tackle complete; two whim and four saddle horses, will be given in to the purchaser.

Lot 4.
ELLISLAND.
This run has an area of 64,000 acres, and is watered by a well, which is in perfect working order.
The improvements are out-station huts, yards, &c.; and there will be erected, at the cost of the vendors, a four-roomed cottage, as per plan to be seen at the office of the auctioneers.
With this station will be sold 9000 sheep, of the following descriptions, viz.:—
2975 ewes
2454 weaners, equal sexes
3496 wethers
75 rams.
Total, 9000.
A team of six working bullocks, with dray and tackle complete; two whim and four saddle horses, will be given in to the purchaser.

Lot 5.
PAPATOITOI EAST, and WOOD No. 1.
Area, 80,000 acres, watered by an excellent well.
The improvements are out-station huts, yards, &c.; and there will be erected, at the cost of the vendors, a four-roomed cottage, as per plan to be seen at the office of auctioneers.
With the stations will be sold 12,000 sheep, of the following descriptions, viz.:—
3967 ewes
3273 weaners, equal sexes
4662 wethers
98 rams.
Total, 12,000.
To be given in with this run a horse-dray and harness, with three draught, two whim, and four saddle horses.

Lot 6.
PAPATOITOI NORTH.
This run has an area of 64,009 acres.
The improvements are well, tanks, huts, yards, &c. The number of sheep to be sold with this run will be 12,000, of the fair run of all the flocks, and consist of the following descriptions, viz.:—
3967 ewes
3273 weaners
4662 wethers
98 rams.
Total, 12,000.
With this run will be given in a horse-dray and harness, with three draught, two whim, and four saddle horses.

Lot 7.
PAPATOITOI,
Having an area of about 64,000 acres, and a frontage of ten miles to the Willandra, with dams, huts, yards, &c., and a well completed.
With this station will be sold 8000 sheep, the fair run of all the flocks, of the following descriptions, viz.:—
2645 ewes
2182 weaners, equal sexes
3107 wethers
66 rams.
Total, 8000.
To be given in with this run a horse-dray and harness, with three draught, two whim, and four saddle horses.

Lot 8.
TICEHURST.
This run has an area of 64,000 acres, and is watered by a first-rate well.
The improvements are out-station huts, yards, &c.; and there will be erected, at the cost of the vendors, a four-roomed cottage, as per plan to be seen at the office of the auctioneers.
With this station will be sold 9000 sheep, of the following descriptions, viz.:—
2975 ewes
2454 weaners, equal sexes
3496 wethers
75 rams
Total, 9000.
To be given in with this run a horse-dray and harness, with three draught, two whim, and four saddle horses.

Lot 9.
COCHINGWONGA.
This run has an area of 64,000 acres, fenced on one side, and is watered by a well, in thorough working order.
The improvements are out-station huts, yards, &c., and there will be erected, at the cost of the vendors, a four-roomed cottage, as per plan to be seen at the office of the auctioneers.
With this station will be sold 10,000 sheep, of the following descriptions, viz.:—
3306 ewes
2757 weaners, equal sexes
3884 wethers
83 rams.
Total, 10,000.
Given in with this run one waggon and harness complete, four waggon horses, two whim and four saddle horses.

Lot 10.
RANKIN'S-HILL 6.
This run has an area of 64,000 acres, with cottage, men's hut, kitchen, store, horse pa

TELEGRAPHIC MESSAGES.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.]

BATHURST.

FRIDAY.

MR. W. H SUTTOR has just been returned without opposition for the representation of this constituency,

MELBOURNE.

FRIDAY, 6 P.M.

The newly appointed Roman Catholic Bishop of Goulburn is Dr. Croker, an English Benedictine. The coadjutor of Archbishop Polding will be Vicar-General Sheehy.

Thirty thousand pounds have been forwarded hence to Adelaide on English account for wheat, as orders could not be executed here.

Markets quiet. Californian oats, 3s. 9d. to 4s.; old barley, 3s.; corn sacks, 39s.; pig iron, 4s.

ARRIVED.—Charley Palmer, Aurifera, from Calcutta; Krumpenerward, from Batavia; Wonga Wonga (s).

SAILED.—Balclutha.

ADELAIDE.

FRIDAY, 10 P.M.

The Assembly passed the appointment of a Commission to inquire into the state of the northern runs

The Assembly adjourned until the 2nd January.

Mr. Reynolds has given notice that he will introduce another Marriage Bill.

The races to-day were again badly attended. The Jockey Club Handicap was won by Crusader Cedric, second. Trial Stakes, by Midnight Hurdle Race, by Cocktail.

Sugar not so firm; 1100 bags ex Aldinga sold to-day at a reduction of 30s., for browns.

Corn market unaltered. Wheat, 4s. 4d. Flour very dull.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE AT THE CORNER OF GEORGE AND KING STREETS.

SCARCELY had the engines returned from the fire at Redfern ere the bells of the city rang the alarm calling the firemen together for another and most destructive conflagration, which broke out shortly after midnight in the shop of Mr. Neimke, tobacconist, opposite the Joint Stock Bank. When first discovered, there was but a small flame on the floor of the shop, but as soon as the door was forced the draught caused the devouring element to spread with amazing rapidity, and in a few minutes it ascended to the ceiling and passed through to the furniture rooms of Signor Zuccani. A dense volume of smoke poured forth with occasional flashes of flame, and the breaking of the plate glass windows in the upper story, combined with the bursting in of the doors of other shops underneath by the crowd, caused a noise akin to the din of battle. In about twenty minutes after the discovery of the fire, the flames rushed all round the interior of the block; and the colonnades in the George-street front were also in a blaze—the heat became intense, so much so, that the firemen were unable to remain close to the burning pile. Fears were now entertained that the wine and spirit store of Mr. W. Long would catch fire, and efforts were made with some success to remove the stock; but by the efforts of the men with the hose of one of the steam engines and a hand engine, the flames were kept back, and fortunately all fear of their extending in that direction was set at rest. The hotel kept by Mr. Samuel, in King-street, was also threatened, and a second steam-engine was brought into requisition at this point, throwing a splendid stream of water on to the roof and the eastern edge of the premises in which the fire was raging.

The destruction of the premises was rapid and complete. After making its way through the roof of Neimke's shop, the flame spread over the upper floor, and then went downwards to the shops of Mr. Goulston, clothier; Mr. Marks, clothier; Mr. Abraham, hatter; and Mr. Abrahams, toy and fancy goods dealer; all of which were completely gutted, not a particle of goods contained in them being saved. Zuccani's lower shop, and a milliner's shop adjoining, were gutted some minutes previously, a few articles being saved therefrom. The interior of the building seemed to consume as if it had been built of cardboard rather than bricks and timber, and when the fronts were burst in, the partitions or walls that divided the various shops seemed of the flimsiest character. Some idea may be formed of the rapidity with which this large block of about 80 feet frontage to King-street and 60 feet frontage to George-street was destroyed, when it is stated that nothing but the outer walls were standing in about one hour from the time the fire was first noticed. The flames rose high in the air, and occasionally turned from red to pale blue, while myriads of sparks issued forth and fell on the large crowd assembled. Fortunately the wind was from the south-west, and carried them over King-street, as if it had blown from the opposite direction, Mr. Long's store could only have been saved by a miracle; had that taken fire, it would be impossible to tell where the conflagration might have ended. Indeed, for some time, there seemed no hope of confining within the limits of the building in which it was now burning with terrible fierceness. One of the most difficult features of the disaster with which the firemen had to deal was the lack of water for some time, but by perseverance it was at length extinguished. The books of some of the tradesmen were saved at considerable risk, and the exertions of the No. 1 Fire Company with a manual engine, no doubt prevented the fire from extending to the southward. The first engine at the fire was the No. 2, from the station adjoining the School of Arts. We have been unable to ascertain the amount of insurance either on the stock or the premises; the amount of property destroyed must have been at least between £20,000 and £30,000. When the engines first arrived, water could not be obtained in George-street, but even with a good supply it would have had little effect on the flame. The cellars were on fire at the time of our going to press, and the steam engines were playing vigorously on the burning *débris*.

THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

THE following notifications appear in yesterday's *Government Gazette*:—

APPOINTMENTS.—Mr. William Colburn Mayne and Mr. Charles Moore to be Commissioners to represent this colony in Paris at the International Exhibition of 1867. Mr. Matthew A. Walker to be official postmaster at Mudgee.

ACCEPTED TENDERS.—The following tenders have been accepted by the Government:—A. Shaller, for depasturing cows in the Outer Domain during 1867; Lewis Morgan—repairs, &c., to signal master's residence, South Head; James and A. Brown—coal for Great Northern Railway during 1867; W. Vaughan—supply of powder barrows, &c., for magazines at Spectacle and Goat Islands; W. Ellison—purchase of lease of Emu Ferry for three months, from 1st January, 1867; and A. Tornaghi—winding and regulating clocks at public buildings in Sydney for 1867.

NEW POST-OFFICES.—Post-offices will be established at the following places on the 1st January next:—Baradine, between Walgett and Coonabarabran; Barkeville, near Carcoar; Collarenebri, between Walgett and Yarrawa; Gilgandra, between Mundooran and Coonamble; Mount Harris, near Warren; Pilliga, between Walgett and Wee Waa; and Upper Run, between Hartley and Fish River Creek.

FIRE.—About a quarter to 9 o'clock last evening, some back premises belonging to a house in the occupation of Mr. Archibald Forsyth, ropemaker, Waterloo Estate, were totally destroyed by fire. The buildings, which were constructed of weatherboards, and were used as a stable or lumber-room, burned very rapidly, and were consumed before the fire-engines had time to arrive. A young man named Carrol was on the premises at the time, and was so severely injured that it was found necessary to remove him to the Infirmary. The premises were insured; the origin of the fire is unknown.

ST. VINCENT'S HOSPITAL SCHOOL.—The children attending the above public school, to the number of 160, were examined on Wednesday last, previous to breaking up for the Christmas holidays. The instruction to the pupils is imparted exclusively by the Sisters of Charity, who not only teach the higher branches of female education and accomplishments for a moderate recompense, but are in other ways the means of rescuing some of the children of the indigent and indolent from ignorance and depravity. The subjects on which the first and second classes were questioned, were grammar, geography, history, and arithmetic, and they afterwards sang part music very creditably, and performed several solos and duets on the pianoforte. Those classes were examined by the Rev. Mr. Newman, and Mr. Wiles. The infant school pupils were examined by the Revs. Messrs. D'Arcy and Fitzpatrick, in reading, spelling, geography, and the map; and in many instances evinced even in mere infants extraordinary retention of memory. Specimens of needlework, both useful and ornamental, were exhibited, which proved that this important branch of a woman's education had not been overlooked. We were informed the examination was considered in all respects satisfactory. Prizes, provided by the Sisters of Charity and a few private individuals, were awarded to the most deserving. The children are to be regaled with a feast on Friday next.

NEW SOUTH WALES PARLIAMENT.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21ST.

THE PRESIDENT took his seat at the usual hour.

PROROGATION.

Mr. DOCKER sked permission to move without notice that the Council at its rising do adjourn until 12 o'clock to-morrow (Saturday).

Mr. DEAS THOMSON said that he might be permitted to ask if the motion was made with reference to prorogation.

Mr. DOCKER stated that it was.

Mr. PLUNKETT said it appeared somewhat extraordinary to him that this House should meet at 12, when there had been notice given for the Assembly to meet at 3 p.m.

Mr. DOCKER said notice had been given of such motion, and it would be made pro forma, but an amendment would be moved to adjourn to 12 o'clock.

The PRESIDENT put the question and it was carried.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS BILL.

The PRESIDENT reported a message from the Assembly, in which the Assembly continued to disagree with certain amendments made by the Council in the ninth clause of the Public Schools Bill, but no longer insisting upon its disagreement with other amendments in the bill.

Mr. DOCKER moved that the House resolve itself into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Message.

Mr. CAMPBELL objected to proceeding in this hasty way. He had nothing before him to consider; he was not prepared, and he thought the consideration of the message should be postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. PLUNKETT was also opposed to going into consideration of the message now, and doubted if it was competent under the rules of the House to do so.

Mr. DOCKER said there was precedent for the proceeding on the journals of the House. The House had taken the course now proposed with reference to the Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill, in October 1861, and objection had been taken by Mr. Holden. The President had ruled the proceedings in order, and then Mr. Holden gave notice of a motion on the subject, which, on consideration, he withdrew.

Mr. PLUNKETT did not consider this a precedent. He did not attach much importance to the opinion of the President of that day, who was not very well up in constitutional law or parliamentary practice, and Mr Holden was only one, and his withdrawal of his motion went for nothing.

The PRESIDENT ruled that it was quite competent for the motion to be made and for the House to go into committee, and it was in accordance with the previous practice of this House, and with Parliamentary practice.

The question was put.

Mr. J. CAMPBELL called for a division on which it was found that Mr. Plunkett and Mr. J. Campbell were opposed to going into committee; and seventeen members in favour of the motion.

Mr. DOCKER moved that this Council no longer insist upon the amendment referred to in the message. In doing this he would briefly recall the attention of the Council to the position of the matter. The Assembly had accepted some amendments in provisions which the Assembly deemed of great importance. In that portion of the bill which provided for the constitution of the Council of Education, although the clause was originally carried by a very large majority in the Assembly, the Assembly had yielded. Another portion of the bill was that with respect to the payment of fees, in respect to which the Council's amendments had also been accepted. The Assembly had disagreed with the Council's amendments with respect to non-vested schools, and here the Council had yielded and had not insisted. The only point on which now required to be settled was the insertion of the words in the ninth clause—"in any locality where a public school may be established which has in attendance thereat not less than seventy children, situated not more than five miles from such public school." When this point was adjusted, he trusted that the object which the Government attached extreme importance, would be permitted to pass into law. The object of the clause was that in every locality where a public school could be established, such a school should be provided for out of the public funds, and that such school should be the best of its kind, and was not thought desirable that great facilities should be afforded for the establishment of other schools than those which, under this bill, the Government and the Assembly thought would be the best. Hon. members should bear in mind, however, that the provision applied to schools only—to schools called into existence after this Act passed—for by the 28th clause it was provided that all existing schools shall be certified, and that once certified the certificate should not be withdrawn so long as the school came up to the standard under which it was certified. Now that the matter was narrowed down to so small a compass, he felt that the Council might consent not to insist upon this amendment, in that spirit of conciliation which the Assembly had shown—which this Council also had shown in so insisting upon some of its amendments. The House had, however, insisted upon others, and again the Assembly yielded except in this one case. He thought the time had arrived when the Council might gracefully yield what remained to be adjusted in order that the measure might pass into law.

Mr. DEAS THOMSON was happy that the difference between the two branches of the Legislature had been brought down to so narrow a compass, that they might now meet in a spirit of conciliation. He had maturely considered the course he should pursue, and he could not be satisfied that he had fought the battle fairly if he had maintained the view which he himself entertained, and if he had maintained views not altogether his own; but he had maintained them out of respect to the religious and conscientious convictions of others. The views of those who, under a different system, had acquired certain vested rights. Some of those views were not consonant with his own, for he had always been favourable to a system of public education. He did not desire very great facilities to be given for the establishment of additional Denominational schools, and under the provisions of this bill there was a check to their increase. He must admit that large and important concessions had been made to the views of this House, and he felt that the Council was bound to act in the same spirit. He had very great objections to the constitution of the Board of Education as originally proposed—he must repeat here what he had said over and over again, that his objection arose from no personal feeling towards the present Colonial secretary, or any member of the present Government, but because he believed that if the Board was presided over by the Colonial Secretary, or by any other Minister of the Crown, the independence of the Board would be destroyed, especially as the members of the Board were removable at pleasure without cause shown, and might be removed merely because obnoxious to the President of the Board. It was objectionable, also, owing to the temporary character of the Board. None of the members were to be appointed for more than four years, two of them only for two years. The Assembly had accepted the Council's amendment, and this certainly was a very large concession. If the clause had remained as originally proposed, he believed it would have been impossible to find persons of the description which it was most desirable they should be to accept seats at the Board. He felt this so strongly that he would now express a hope that, although there was no express provision to the contrary, the Governor would see fit, in deference to the opinion of a co-ordinate branch of the Legislature, not to appoint any Minister of the Crown to the Board. It was another concession, also, to agree to the amendment empowering the Board to elect its own president. Another important concession which this Council was bound to acknowledge was' that with respect to fees—making it compulsory on persons who were able to pay school fees. He could not recognise anything likely to lead to greater demoralisation than a system of payment voluntary. The conscientious right-minded man would look at the whole bill, and would say that it was not intended that he should be exempted from payment, and would pay—but the less scrupulous would say, I am not compelled to pay and will not. What could have a more demoralising tendency? Free education might be spoken of when there was local taxation for the purpose of education, as in the United States, and in Canada, in North America, where there was local taxation, aided out of the public funds; and it must be borne in mind also, that the parents did not pay the whole cost of educating the children who attended the schools. The expenditure on primary schools was £73,000, the amount of fees £32,000, so that parents really paid only about one-third. The amendment was a concession to this House, and he believed that it would be found hereafter that it was a judicious amendment. The difference which remained to be adjusted consisted in a very few words in the 9th clause. If he believed that this clause affected existing Denominational schools, he should still insist upon the Council's amendments, but only future Denominational schools, and having, as he had said, fought the battle rather out of deference to the conscientious opinions of others than as his own, he did not feel it necessary to press the point further. He was sorry indeed that the amendments he had proposed with respect to non-vested schools had not been adopted. The Government did not see the value of these schools—they did not acknowledge their popularity, or their value in an economical point of view. The non-vested schools met the difficulties of those who conscientiously objected to public schools, and if they had been recognised in this bill they might have gone on, open to all, taking care always that they should be conducted in all respects—as regarded secular education—as public schools, while no child would be compelled to attend to religious instruction given in them. The concession of the Assembly with regard to the number of children—in the reduction from two hundred to one hundred and twenty—ought to be acknowledged, and removed one great difficulty from agreeing to the remainder of the clause. A further concession was the reduction in another part of the bill of the number of children from forty to thirty. He was now speaking of existing Denominational schools, and the concession was of great importance in this view. If the number fifty had been adhered to, more than one-half of the existing schools would have been shut up, or at all events left without aid, at the end of 1867. He admitted that thirty appeared a small number for a school, but it was still larger than that required for a public school under this bill, which was only twenty-five. Viewing the concessions which had been made, and looking to the whole scope of the bill, he should no longer continue his opposition to it. The worst features of the bill had been taken out—some good features had been introduced. He should have desired the amendments now under consideration to have stood. However they had been told by one who was an authority—the late Lord Macaulay—that all politics were a compromise. The Council must look upon this as one, and for himself he accepted the concessions made, and no longer insisted upon the amendments with which the Assembly still disagreed.

Sir WILLIAM MANNING said that he was a practical man, and preferred having 18-20th's of a loaf to none at all, and this he thought they should secure in this bill if they now agreed to. He did not quite agree with the clause as it stood, and thought it ought to have been amended. The effect now would be, that the Council of Education might plant a school in any part of the unoccupied space of the country, and that other schools might be established, not within two or not within five miles, under certain circumstances in each case, of such school. He was of opinion that it would have been better that when the Council had no such school, other schools should be allowed to be established and to receive aid. The Assembly thought differently. If he looked at the amendment as one of vital importance he should not be prepared, either with the view of conciliation, or out of courtesy, to submit to the Assembly. But it was not of such importance, for under the 15th clause the Council of Education might grant aid to other schools when it was necessary, and he trusted that we should have a Council of Education that would look at the subject in an enlarged spirit, and grant that aid wherever it would really be for the public good and in the interest of education. He was the less disposed to insist upon the amendment, because it was now clearly stated that the ninth clause was not intended to apply to existing schools but only to future schools. It had been contended at first, and he believed by his hon. friend Mr. Deeves, that the clause was intended to apply to all schools, but as they were now assured that it was not, he also was prepared to yield. He was in a happy position in reference to this bill. The only amendment he had proposed had been agreed to by the Assembly, and the only amendment he had opposed in this House had not been accepted by the Assembly, and the Council had not insisted upon them. He wished to say a few words on the subject of non-vested schools. The clause would not have the effect of destroying or discouraging non-vested schools. [Mr. DEAS THOMSON: Oh, oh.] His friend said, "Oh," but such was the case. Mr. DEAS THOMSON: The bill ignores them altogether.] He knew that such was the opinion of his hon. friend, but he was only stating fact, and he should be sorry that it should go forth to the world unrecontradicted that non-vested schools were discouraged by this bill. Excepting that non-vested National schools were to become non-vested public schools, these schools would remain in all respects in the same position as to property and trusts as they now were. And there was nothing to prevent non-vested schools from springing up and becoming public schools hereafter. Take the parish he lived in for instance: suppose there was no school there, as however there was, there would be nothing in this bill to prevent any one who chose from building a school and making it a non-vested public school—during the week it would be subject to the regulations of the council as to the teaching in it, but on Sundays it might be used for a Sunday-school as at present. Further, these non-vested schools would be placed even in a better position than they now were, for whereas they now only received assistance in the shape of salary for a teacher and books, they would under this bill be entitled to be maintained, which meant everything. Mr. DEAS THOMSON: Not building or repairing. He maintained that the position of these schools would be improved, and he hoped that it would not be considered a discouragement that they were to be called non-vested public, instead of non-vested National schools. The bill was rather favourable to them than others, inc; if he believed that it had a tendency to suppress them he should have adopted a different course. He had no difficulty he should have the effect of what he had said in repealing that the object in endeavouring to get these on a former occasion, on a former occasion, to bring such non-vested schools into the category of Denominational schools was to force or draw them eventually to the Denominational side. The other House had made numerous other concessions, and he was glad to see the way in which they had been made. He thought the House might now accept the bill with satisfaction, that they should not unduly insist upon the amendment, but recollect that true statesmanship must consist in compromise. 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Mr. DEAS THOMSON said his hon. and learned friend had entirely failed to see the effect of the bill on the non-vested schools from the very commencement. No doubt there were words in the bill which saved existing non-vested schools, but, at the coach was about 20 miles from Mr. Christie's station, Narramine, two armed men, mounted on spirited bay horses, rode out on the road from a patch of scrub, and several times ordered the coachman, Charles Stuart, to halt up. The driver was at the time filling his pipe, and the reins were held by Mr. Grenfell, to whom he said—"Draw up; these are the bushrangers." Mr. Grenfell took no notice of the robbers' summons, but jerked the reins in order to increase the speed of the horses. Simultaneously he drew out of his trousers' pocket a small pistol. It was stated in the evidence that Mr. Grenfell fired, but this he did not do; he reserved his fire in the hope that the bushrangers would come to close quarters. 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It appeared that he had been but a comparatively short time in the public service—only five years—a widow and three children, the eldest only three years old. The fact of his having been so short a time in the service was mentioned as a stimulus to what he hoped would prove the liberality of the public, as the briefless life form of service left his family but a very small allowance from the superannuation fund, quite insufficient to support them in the state of life which they had hitherto held. The young widow was not likely to be able to support herself or to devise adequate means to provide for the loss of their own kith and kin. Mr. Grenfell stepped from the coach and showed that he was prepared to resist, that moment they fled. It was on this account that the public was right in recognising in the most marked manner the courage, which was of so much benefit to us. We could do something more; if we could not call back the life, we could provide for those the gallant deceased had left behind, and thus raise a monument such as he who was gone would himself have chosen. He hoped this meeting would be the nucleus of other organisations in the country, and he observed that already in the distant township of Bay, where the inhabitants were well able to judge of the benefit to be derived from the conduct of men like Mr. Grenfell, proceedings had already been taken in recognition. The same feeling he trusted would be exhibited in other parts, so that a sum might be raised sufficient to make a handsome provision for the wife and family of Mr. Grenfell, by which means the country would discharge a debt of gratitude it owed to him. (Cheers.)

The Hon. A. CAMPBELL, M.L.C., in seconding the resolution said he felt persuaded that the meeting after the address of his Excellency and Mr. Hay, required no advocacy from him to induce them to appreciate the noble conduct and bravery of the late Commissioner Grenfell, nor any exhortation to the exercise of a generous sympathy in behalf of the bereaved family.

The resolution was put and carried unanimously.

Mr. ROBINSON moved the second resolution as follows:—

"That this meeting deeply sympathises with the widow and children of Mr. Grenfell in their bereavement, and deems it to be the duty of the community to make a liberal provision for their future maintenance."

He did not know why he had been selected to move the resolution on that occasion, unless the reason were that Mr. Grenfell had entered the public service first at his (Mr. Robertson's) instance. Whether that were the reason or not, he most willingly took upon himself the duty of moving the resolution, in which there were two propositions set out. The first proposition was that the meeting sympathised with the widow and children of Mr. Grenfell under their bereavement. There could be no difference of opinion on that head, as every one in the community sympathised with them. The next proposition was as to what we were going to do to relieve, as far as we could, the difficulties of Mrs. Grenfell's position! What were we going to do to help her, and to support her young and helpless children? He did not think that a better audience than the present could be found in Australia, to consider a question of this kind. He was glad to see present many of the leading commercial men of the city, and the bankers of the city. We had been told by Mr. Hay that the people in the interior felt the dangers from bushrangers more than we were likely to do, and were, therefore, more [illegible] Grenfell. That was quite the gallant conduct of Mr. G. had another kind of true; but the commercial men of the city It was to that he interest in this matter—a monetary interest. our talking of should address himself. It was of little use and gave sympathy unless we put our hands in our pocke. ld give substantial proofs of it. The people who had much as. Grenmuch—and those who had little should give little. Mr. fell had died in the protection of the mails—and what class more interested in that than the commercial class? He recommended that a cheque book should be handed round, and that those who had the largest banking accounts should at once fill up cheques for the largest amounts. He knew Mr. Grenfell, and he knew that his family would really need pecuniary assistance. Mr. Hay had spoken in favour of erecting a monument to Mr. Grenfell, but the best way of rewarding him would be to make provision for the wants of his wife and children. Mr. Grenfell himself had been anxious to see a provision made for those dear ones he had left behind. On his death-bed, he exhibited a constant anxiety about the condition in which his family would be left by his decease. He begged to move the resolution, and he did it with the full confidence that the people of the country would show what they could, and that those persons who could afford to give large subscriptions would do so.

Mr. W. B. DALLEY said that if anything could lighten the weight of sorrow that had fallen on Mr. Grenfell's bereaved family, it would be the knowledge that so distinguished a company were assembled there, to manifest their sympathy. It was of course out of our power to mitigate the severity of that family's affliction. We could not console them. The expression of our sympathy was an almost superfluous labour of charity, because they must be conscious that the whole of the community participated in their suffering and deplored their loss. But while we could not diminish the calamity that had befallen on others, we might do this—we might point out to our fellow-colonists that none was not to be beggared by his heroism, but that the children of a martyr would be adopted by the country. We could not replace the love and parental tenderness of him who was snatched away; but we could overshadow that family with the gratitude that the country owed to every man who risked his life so nobly as Mr. Grenfell had done. He should not detain the meeting by any further expression of his views, but he trusted that the appeal of Mr. Robertson would be responded to, and that those interested in the protection of commerce and the repression of crime, would come forward and testify to the heroism of this man, by taking his family under their protection.

The resolution was then put, and carried unanimously.

Mr. MORIARTY moved the third resolution as follows:—

"That a committee of the following gentlemen, with power to add to their number, be appointed to collect contributions, viz., Hon. E. Deas Thomson, Mr. John Hay, Mr. W. B. Dalley, Mr. Walter Lamb, Mr. Charles Cowper, Hon. George Henry Cox, Mr. James White, Mr. C. Kolleston, Hon. A. Campbell, Mr. M. Fitzpatrick, Hon. S. D. Gordon, Hon. R. Towns, Mr. John Robertson, Mr. Wilmoyer, Mr. S. A. Joseph, Mr. J. H. L. Scott, Major Wingate, Mr. W. Macleay, Hon. T. Icely, Mr. A. O. Moriarty, Mr. William Forster, and Mr. George Lord."

He wished that the moving of the resolution had been confided to letter hands than his own, and he would not attempt to dilute what had been already said as to the conduct of this gallant man, though as a man he felt as strong an admiration of his noble qualities and conduct as any person present. Mr. Grenfell had been a public servant, and as such he (Mr. Moriarty) had been intimate with him. He had been his colleague and assistant, and he might say with some propriety, that by his death the public had lost a valuable and efficient officer. At the time of his death he was on his way to Sydney to take a position in which his abilities would have had greater scope. He believed it was mainly at his (Mr. Moriarty's) instance that Mr. Grenfell had been placed in that position; and to give some idea of the strong sense of duty which actuated that gentleman, he would read one of the last letters that he had ever penned—a letter written on his death-bed. Mr. Moriarty then read a short note from Mr. Grenfell, in which that gentleman said that he was on his way to Sydney in obedience to instructions, but had been delayed by injuries received from Bushrangers. The receipt of that letter had produced a strong emotion in his mind, and it had almost moved him to tears when he reflected that even in the last few moments of his life that revolver was in the hands of his friend. He felt it necessary to justify delay in the performance of his duty. The resolution was a practical one, and called rather for practical action than many words. He was in a position to endorse what had been said as to the need of assisting the family, and he hoped the public would respond generously to the appeal.

Mr. C. ROLLESTON seconded the resolution, which he said was one of the most important of the whole. Although he had not had the pleasure of knowing Mr. Grenfell, he yielded to no man in admiration of his gallant conduct, and in sympathy for his family. He concluded by mentioning that Mr. Alexander Dick had promised £50, had sent for Mr. Grenfell's widow and children, and had promised if the Government would reimburse him the expenses of their journey, to make his donation £100.

The resolution was then put and carried unanimously.

The Hon. S. D. GORDON, M.L.C., proposed the fourth resolution, as follows:—

"That all moneys collected by the committee be placed in the hands of two trustees, to be applied for the benefit of the widow and children."

He entirely concurred with the remarks that had been made with reference to the gallantry of Mr. Grenfell, and he was sorry that the Government had not seen fit to provide a small amount from the public Treasury for the aid of the widow and children of that gentleman.

Mr. ADAM WHITE, M.L.A., seconded the resolution, which was put and carried.

Mr. LOAD, M.L.A., proposed the fifth resolution, as follows:—

"That Messrs. F. L. Cloete and R. Maclean be appointed honorary secretaries; and Stuart Murray, Esq., manager of the Oriental Bank, be appointed honorary treasurer."

Mr. PERY RAYMOND seconded the resolution, which was put and carried.

Mr. PERRY, M.L.A., proposed the sixth resolution, as follows:—

"That a subscription list be now opened in the room."

Major WINGATE seconded the resolution, which was put and carried.

On the motion of the Hon. E. DEAS THOMSON, M.L.C., his Excellency left the chair, which was taken by Mr. J. Hay, M.L.A.

The Hon. DEAS THOMSON, M.L.C., then proposed a vote of thanks to his Excellency for presiding on the occasion, and in doing so took the opportunity of observing that he agreed with Mr. Gordon in regretting that the Government had not made some provision for Mr. Grenfell's widow and children. It was right that we should show our gratitude to him for the bright example that he had afforded to others. He knew that the Government feared to establish a precedent by giving their aid in this instance, but he would be very glad to see such a precedent established. He moved a vote of thanks to Sir John Young for his kindness in presiding on the occasion.

His Honor Judge FRANCIS seconded the motion, which was carried by acclamation.

His EXCELLENCY then in a few brief words returned thanks for the vote accorded him, and the meeting terminated.

Subscription lists were handed round, and subscriptions to a large amount promised.

The following sums were subscribed at the close of the meeting:—Sir John Young and Lady Young, £21; Alexander Dick, £50; William Macleay, £20; James White, £25; J. J. Phillips, £25; George Lord, £20; Thomas Icely, £25; Alexander Campbell, £25; S. D. Gordon, £10 10s.; George Campbell, £5; Arthur Onslow, £2 2s.; J. Burt, £5 5s.; John Forrest, D. D., £3 3s.; George Rouse, £2 2s.; W. B. Dalley, £5 5s.; H. R. Francis, £5 5s.; Lester Donaldson, £5; W. D. Stewart, £5 5s.; Walter Lamb, £10 10s.; Castle Mitchell, £1 1s.; F. Turville, £5; A. S. Webster, £5 5s.; Joseph Docker, £1; John Robertson, £1 1s.; John Hay, £10 10s.; E. Deas Thomson, £5 5s.; A. O. Moriarty, £3 3s.; R. Peel Raymond, £2 2s.; John R. Gosling, £1 1s.; H. Maclean, £3 3s.; E. W. Cox, £2 2s.; Major Wingate, £2 2s.; D. H. Campbell, £2 2s.; George B. Finlay, £1 1s.; E. O Moriarty, £1 1s.; F. L. Cloete, £2 2s.; E. W., £2 2s.; George H. Cox, £2.

THE LATE MR. COMMISSIONER GRENFELL.

A PUBLIC meeting, at which about a hundred and fifty gentlemen were present, was held yesterday afternoon in the Upper Hall of the Exchange, to consider the best means of making, on behalf of the widow and family of the late Mr. Grenfell, some substantial recognition of the gallantry displayed by him in resisting the lawless attack upon the mail, whereby he lost his life. Among those in attendance, besides his Excellency Sir John Young (who presided), there were the Hon. Deas Thomson, the Hon. A. Campbell, the Hon. F. C. Weekes, the Hon. S. D. Gordon, the Hon. T. Icely, Mr. C. Cowper, Mr. J. Hay, Mr. W. Forster, Mr. White, Mr. W. Macleay, Mr. J. Robertson, Mr. S. Samuel, and other members of the Legislature, Mr. C. Kolleston, Mr. P. L. Cloete, Mr. A. Dick, Major Wingate, Mr. W. Lamb, Mr. P. Raymond, Mr. W. B. Dalley, Mr. Judge Francis, Mr. D. H. Campbell, the Rev. Dr. Forrest, and the Rev. James Milne.

His EXCELLENCY, in opening the proceedings, said he would endeavour to state briefly, but with all possible earnestness the object of the meeting. The matter in hand did not require fine phrases to recommend it to the attention of well-thinking men, nor did the recital of the simple story demand embellishment. It was a subject of interest to everyone who valued courage, or wished to see law and order supported—to everyone who could sympathise with the widow and orphan—with the sorrow and distress entailed upon helpless sufferers by the loss of their natural protector—a gallant man whose life was sacrificed in opposing wrong and robbery, and in defence of that free passage and inviolability of property which it was the object of all law to secure, and which every right-minded person in the community should be prepared to reverence and maintain. The circumstances, as appeared by the reports, were these:—"The up-mail carried two passengers—Mr. Commissioner Grenfell (who was removing from the Albert to the New England district), and a Mr. Cantrill, from Congolgan. About half-past 6 on Friday evening, when about two miles from Mr. Christie's station, Narramine, two armed men, mounted on spirited bay horses, rode out on the road from a patch of scrub, and several times ordered the coachman, Charles Stuart, to halt up. The driver was at the time filling his pipe, and the reins were held by Mr. Grenfell, to whom he said—'Draw up; these are the bushrangers.' Mr. Grenfell took no notice of the robbers' summons, but jerked the reins in order to increase the speed of the horses. Simultaneously he drew out of his trousers' pocket a small pistol. It was stated in the evidence that Mr. Grenfell fired, but this he did not do; he reserved his fire in the hope that the bushrangers would come to close quarters. 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CHRISTMAS SUITS!—Order your suits of the original HENRY HAYES, on whom you can rely for quality, fit, and fashion at a mere trifle more than the boots of TAG-RAG and bobtail slop TAILORS charge for rubbish that would disgrace the back of a Pauper. Ask any one for a good and cheap tailor, and the reply will be H. HAYES, 456, George-street, near Market-street.

BOOTS, BOOTS.—The best in Sydney, all colonial-made, at FRENCH'S, South Head Road.

PARRAMATTA.—CHRISTMAS BOXES.—G. ROGERS respectfully announces he has just opened a choice assortment of Ladies' Companions, and a variety of Fancy Goods, suitable for Christmas Presents and New Year's Gifts; also a large assortment of Perfumery, &c,
Sydney House, Parramatta.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS.—Ex Mail Steamer.
FLAVELLE, BROTHERS, and CO. have received by the Avoca, and other late arrivals, an assortment of beautiful goods, selected by their partner, Mr. H. Flavelle, from the best stocks in London and Paris, comprising
JEWELLERY.
Brooches, bracelets, necklets (the new elastic chain pattern), beautiful pendants for necklets, lockets, rare and beautiful cameo brooches in "pietra dura" with earrings to match, earrings, ladies' rings, gentlemen's studs, sleeve links, collar studs, scarf rings and pins, waistcoat buttons, solitaire sleeve buttons, new pattern signet rings, diamond solitaire rings, ladies' sleeve buttons, gold thimbles, Mordan's gold pencil and pen and pencil cases, Mordan's scent bottles (union and single), ladies' alberts and long watch chains, watch brooches, gentlemen's albert chains (standard gold), and pendants for ditto,
WATCHES.
Ladies' gold hunting and open face watches, in richly engraved cases, some with the patent keyless motion; enamel and diamond back ditto.
Gentlemen's gold hunting lever watches, highly finished, patent keyless motion and ordinary
Silver hunting lever watches of the quality always imported by us, and so well known throughout the country; patent keyless half hunting watches
Silver hunting watches for boys.
SILVER PLATE.
Sterling silver tea and coffee services, salvers, flower and fruit stands, claret jugs, tankards, regatta and race cups, silver dessert knives and forks, inkstands, butter coolers, &c.
ELECTRO SILVER PLATED WARE.
A large assortment of articles, useful and ornamental, suitable for presents; flower vases, dessert and card stands, centrepieces, candelabra, branch candlesticks with and without glass shades, cake boxes and baskets, tea caddies, tea and coffee services, cabinets of spoons and forks, dessert knives and forks, fish eating knives and forks, sardine tongs, breakfast cruets, &c.
CLOCKS.
Drawing-room clocks, with side ornaments en suite; dining-room, hall, and library clocks; carriage clocks, with horizontal and lever escapements, to go in any position.
FANCY GOODS.
An assortment of superior quality to stand the test of time, comprising ladies' and gentlemen's dressing cases, some silver-mounted; ladies' writing desks, envelope and paper cases, ladies' workboxes, gentlemen's writing desks, dispatch boxes, library stationery cabinet. A superior assortment of ladies' fans, bouquet holders, photographic albums to contain from 25 to 200 pictures, patent bindings covered with russia and morocco leather.
FLAVELLE, BROTHERS, and CO.,
354, George-street.
BINOCULAR GLASSES.
FLAVELLE, BROTHERS, and CO. have lately received a large stock of the above, variously mounted in mother of pearl, ivory, and bronze, for opera, field, race, or marine purposes. Also, a field-glass, mounted in aluminium.
354, George-street.

EX MAIL STEAMER.—HARDY, BROTHERS beg to call the attention of the public to their very beautiful and var

AGENCIES.—The undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the following houses, are prepared to supply from stock, or take orders for the undermentioned goods:—
JAMES HARTLEY and CO.—Crown and sheet glass
WEBSTER and CO.—Wire rope for rigging and coal mines, Europe rope, oakum
BRUNTON and CO.—Gutta percha, and all kinds of safety fuse
J. and C JOHNSON and CO.—Portland cement, plaster of paris, vulcan stuffing
HUNT and SONS.—Brades' Works, Birmingham.—All kinds of tools, spring steel, &c,
CROGGAN and CO.—Ship and roofing felt
SAVORY and MOORE—Chemists to the Queen and Royal family—every description of medicines
KIRKMAN and SONS.—Pianos and musical instruments
BRITISH PLATE GLASS COMPANY.—Plate glass and mirrors
C. H. RAMSAY.—Fire bricks, clay, pipes
WORTHINGTON and SONS.—Burton ale
BURBRIDGE and BURGOYNE.—Drugs, acids, &c.
HARVEY and NEVILLE—Starch
ROBERTSON and CO.—Oils, turps, lead, and tar
MARR and CO.—Iron safes and cash boxes
WHITEREAD and CO.—Bulk and bottled porter
GILLON and CO.—Scotch Oilmen's stores
G. F. COWARD.—Oilmen's stores
THOMAS FRERES.—Brandy in hogsheads, quarter-casks, and cases
CHILD BROTHERS.—French burr mill stones
BURDON and GARDNER—Sherries, in wood and bottle
HOOPER and SONS—Port wines, in bulk and bottle
SLEE, SLEE, and CO.—Vinegar, pickles, and oilmen's stores
BRIDPORT OLD BREWERY COMPANY—Ales pints and quarts
BUTLER, NEPHEW, and CO.—Four-grape port, in wood and bottle
HARPER TWELVETREES—Soap powders, starch, and manufactures
GRIMWADE, RIDLEY, and CO. — Anti-corrosive paints.
JULES, ROBIN, and CO.—Brandy in bulk and bottle
STEVENS and CO.—Bread-making machines
ANDREWS and TAYLOR—Ironmongery for all descriptions
BEARD and DENT, LONDON,—Sheet Lead, Lead Traps, &c.
YOUNG, CARRINGTON, and CO. (limited), late C. D. YOUNG and CO.—Engines, Machinery, and Engineers' tools
FLOWER and CO.—Ale in bulk
THOMAS BERRY and CO., Sheffield.—Ale,
LEARMONTH, DICKINSON, and CO., Charlotte-place.

ON SALE by the undersigned, ex late arrrivals.
Beer—Whitbread's stout, in hogsheads
Ditto, ditto, by Richardson (in bottle)
Worthington's ales
Flower's ale, in hogsheads and kilderkins and bottles
Barry's ale and stout, in hogsheads and barrels
Brandy—Martell's, Otard's, and Hennessy's; Jules Robin, and low quality, in hogsheads, quarters, and cases
Rum—Lemon Hart and Son's, Lownde's and other brands, in hogsheads
Sherries—Burden's, and low qualities, in hogsheads, quarters, octaves, and cases
Ports—Hooper and Son's, and Butler's, four grape, in quarters and hogsheads; and low qualities
Groceries:—
Soups, assorted
Keiller's assorted confectionery
Sauces, pastes, jams, &c.
Coward's oilmen's stores, figs, muscatels
Vinegar, in bottles and bulk, Slee, Slee, and Co.
Kent hops, 1860, 1862, 1863, 1864, 1865
Malt, in tanks
Calcutta linseed
Oils and Paints—Raw and boiled oil, in drums
Turpentine and colza oil, bags
White lead, and paint
Pitch, resin, tar
Ironmongery—Bar and tire iron, round, ¾ to 1
Ditto iron, corrugated
Boiler plates
Boiler tubes, cotton waste
Blasting fuse, blasting powder
Millstones, bushel bags
Woolpacks, seaming twine
Portland cement.
LEARMONTH, DICKINSON, and CO., Charlotte-place.

JULES ROBIN and CO.'S BRANDY.—The undersigned, having been appointed agents for the sale of this well-known Brandy, give notice that they have on hand, and will be supplied with, shipments of bulk pale and dark, in hogsheads, quarters, and one dozen cases.
LEARMONTH, DICKINSON, and CO.

ENGINES, manufactured by Messrs. C. D. Young and Co., Perth, on hand. Specifications and full particulars can be obtained on application.
LEARMONTH, DICKINSON, and CO., Charlotte-place.

ENGINES, MACHINERY, AND ENGINEERS' TOOLS.—The undersigned, having been appointed sole agents for Young, Carrington, and Co. (Limited) late C. D. Young and Co., the well-known engineers, Leith, Scotland, are prepared to take orders for all kinds of the above manufactures.
LEARMONTH, DICKINSON, and CO., Charlotte-place.

MALT, landing ex tanks, ON SALE by
LEARMONTH, DICKINSON, and CO.

ROSIN, pale and dark, small casks.
LEARMONTH, DICKINSON, and CO.

VINEGAR, limejuice, "Gillon's" jams and preserved meats. LEARMONTH, DICKINSON, and CO.

FIGS, muscatels, ling fish in 1 cwt. cases.
LEARMONTH, DICKINSON, and CO.

MUNTZ YELLOW METAL AND NAILS, Metal bolts, sheathing and house felt
Boiler plates and rivets, boiler tubes, angle iron, steel
Lowmoor plate, V. I. R. belting, 2 to 8 inches wide
Galvanized corrugated iron, 6, 7, and 8 feet lengths
Fencing wire, Nos. 4 to 6; patent safety and tape fuse
White lead, zinc paint, blue paint, palm oil, bluestone
Europe rope, 4 to 6 inches; shop twine, Bath bricks
Wetherspoon's confectionery and victoria lozenges, assorted in 1 lb., 7 lb., 12 lb. tins, ½ lb. bottles and boxes
Glenfield patent starch, jar salt, soda crystals
Taylor, Brothers' chicory, chocolate, cocoa, cocoa nibs
Morton's pickles, salad oil, ½ lb. bottles arrowroot
Medley's Liverpool crown soap, curry powder
Ling fish, haddocks, hare soup, &c.
Brown and grey paper and paper bags, 2 lb. to 28 lb.
Writing and printing papers, ink and stationery
Hennessy's and U. V. Co.'s pale brandy, in cases
Sherry, in hogsheads, quarter-casks, and octaves
Porter, in hogsheads
CAIRD, PATERSON, and CO.

STEAM ENGINES and BOILERS.—One 25 h. p. horizontal engine and boiler
One 8 h. p. portable ditto, on wheels
One 4 h. p. ditto ditto, with hoisting winch
One turning lathe, 9½ inch centre, 16 feet bed
Strong iron pails, 3½ and 4½ gallons.
CAIRD, PATERSON, and CO.

PORTABLE STEAM ENGINES, 1 to 12 h.p., by the best makers.
Portable flour mills, fitted with French stones, 2 feet to 3 feet diameter
Flour dressing machines, silk and wire; millstones
Weighbridges, 4 to 12 tons, fitted with relieving gear
Self-acting circular saw benches, with boring apparatus
Circular and vertical mill saws, saw spindles
Millbelts, of English and colonial leather, and vulcanised indiarubber
Indiarubber sheets, hose and engine packing
White cotton waste, boiler felt, flax and hemp
Bolts, nuts, rivets, bolt ends, spike nails
Boiler tubes, iron and copper pipes, lead pipe
Boiler plate; sheet iron, bar, angle, and tee iron
Smiths' bellows, portable forges, anvils, smiths' tools
Sheet copper and brass, block tin, copper and brass bars
Linseed, olive, castor, and other oils; varnish and turpentine
White and red lead, oakum, pitch, resin, tar, and canvas
Blocks—wooden and iron; steering wheels, binnacles
Wire rope, Europe and Manilla rope, coir hawsers
Anchors, chains, windlasses, winches
Ships' galleys, coloured side lights and port lights
Engineers' stores and tools of every description.
For SALE by
P. N. RUSSELL and CO.

Department of Public Works,
Railway Branch, Sydney,
30th May, 1866.

SIR,—In reply to your letter of 12th April last, submitting a sample of bar iron, manufactured at the City Iron Works, Pyrmont, for test and approval if found equal to BBH iron, I am directed by the Commissioners to inform you that iron of the quality submitted will be accepted for railway purposes, when required, in lieu of BBH.
I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
R. MOODY, Chief Clerk.
A. Brown, Esq.,
City Iron Works,
Pyrmont.

ENGINE (six-horse), Boiler, Saw-bench, Belting, &c., cheap. City Iron Works, Pyrmont.

SCRAP HOOP-IRON, and heavy scrap purchased for cash. City Iron Works, Pyrmont.

FOR SALE, fancy drills and coir fibre
Cavalry swords, muskets, and gunpowder
Cassia, cinnamon, cloves, mace, nutmegs, pepper, pimento
Macaroni, vermicelli, tapioca, pearl sago, arrowroot
Preserved ginger and bleached ginger
Swiss cigars, ale in cases of 4 dozen
Pouchong tea,
Ex Spray of the Ocean, from Hongkong
Gunpowder tea of good quality.
F. G. LENDER and CO., No. 10, New Pitt-street.

FOR SALE, BONEY, in any quantity. WILLIAM M'KINNON, Produce Agent, 135, Sussex-street.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.
F. LASSETTER and CO. beg to call attention to their Choice Assortment of Fancy Goods, suitable for Christmas Presents.
They include—
Bohemian glass lustres and vases
Ditto ditto toilette bottles and pomades
Ditto ditto water bottles and coolers
Dresden china dessert services and fruit stands
Flower stands and centre pieces
Elegant French bronze inkstands
Bronze candlesticks and candelabra
Bronze chimney and bracket ornaments
Walnut, rosewood, and mahogany writing desks
Ladies' workboxes
Electroplate fruit and fish knives and forks
Ditto fish carvers, in cases
Ditto epergnes
Ditto candelabra and flower vases
With numerous other articles of beautiful design and workmanship.
F. LASSETTER and CO.,
421, George-street, Sydney.

CHRISTMAS! MERRY CHRISTMAS!!—1866.
RICHARD THAME,
Wholesale, Retail, and Family Grocer,
George-street, opposite the centre of the Markets,
desires, on the approaching festive season, to return his sincere and grateful thanks to those friends and customers in town and country who have during the past year favoured him with their unreserved and discriminating support, and to assure not only his old patrons but also any who may favour him with a call, that they will find at his establishment a large and varied stock of first-class goods, imported to his own order, and purchased for CASH in this market on uncommonly advantageous terms—a stock which R. Thame can assert, without fear of contradiction, is unsurpassed in Sydney for
Quality
Variety
Cheapness.
R. Thame, therefore, feeling himself in a position to do justice to family, country, or shipping orders, respectfully solicits—
1st. From his old friends a continuance of their confidence.
2nd. From those with whom he has not had the pleasure of doing business during the past year, an early call, followed, as he hopes, by continued patronage.
In conclusion, RICHARD THAME begs to call attention to a few lines of first-class Goods, which he is now prepared to supply at prices which defy competition, viz.:
TEA.—The stock on hand comprises a selection from the very finest chops of the new season's Congou, and, notwithstanding the high rates at which the tea market in China opened, R. THAME will continue to sell at the old prices.
COFFEE.—Finest Plantation Ceylon (picked pea berry), roasted and ground daily, packed in air-tight canisters of any required size.
COCOA and CHOCOLATE.—Epps's, Taylor's, Fry's, &c.
PROVISIONS.
Compton's finest double Gloucester, Cheddar, and North Wilts cheese
Compton's prime cured York and Belfast hams, and unequalled breakfast bacon
Oxford and Bologna sausages
Potted meats for breakfast or luncheon.
OILMEN'S STORES, &c.
From Crosse and Blackwell, Batty, Morton, and other first-class London houses, in the greatest possible variety.
CHRISTMAS FRUITS.
R. THAME has bestowed great care on the selection of his Christmas stock of dried fruits, and is now able to offer his customers the finest samples to be seen in this city.
Patras and Zante currants
Turkey and Eléme figs
Muscatel, Eléme, and Sultana raisins
Nuts, walnuts, almonds, &c.
MISCELLANEOUS GOODS.
Candied orange, lemon, and citron peel
French plums, in glass jars (various sizes)
Sardines, salmon, oysters, lobsters
French fruits in syrup, very choice
Confectionery.

Observe the address—
RICHARD THAME,
Wholesale, Retail, Family, and Shipping Grocer and Italian Warehouseman,
George-street,
Opposite the centre of the Markets.

GLOBE TEA WAREHOUSE.—Christmas, 1866.
The finest Cheshire Cheese in Sydney.
RICHARD THAME, Family Grocer, 476, George-street.

CHRISTMAS, CHRISTMAS, CHRISTMAS.—Compton and Taylor's hams
Eléme and sultana raisins, figs
Muscatels, almonds, new Patras currants
Peek and Frean's celebrated pearl biscuits
Potted meats, game and fish in variety
Teas—finest new season's
Coffees unrivalled.
Every article guaranteed genuine.
CANNON, BROTHERS,
Family Grocers and Tea Dealers,
208, Pitt-street, opposite the Victoria Theatre.

NOW LANDING and on SALE at the Stores of the undersigned—
Best sheet and resh iron boiler plate
Carron cart boxes and axle blocks
Galvanized corrugated and plain iron
Patent wrought and wire nails
Patent shot, Hall's, Glass's, and FFF gunpowder
Bolts and nuts, bolt ends, all sizes
Iron pots and camp ovens
Cast iron furnaces, enamelled and copper ditto
Sash weights, wrought and cast iron barrow wheels
Coil chain, all sizes, bullock chain
Cart and plough trace chains
Spring, shear, and blister steel
Iron pulley blocks for chain and rope
Avery's platform weighing machines
Solid iron bedsteads, house bellows
Clark's and Izon's holloware
Bastard cut and other files, Wing's and Stubb's
Perforated and plain sheet zinc
Galvanized buckets and tubs, galvanised anchors
Galvanized wheelbarrows, wood ditto
Foster's, Sidaway's, and Parkes's spades and shovels
Crutch handle and navvy shovels
Leading, body, and cash hames
Tinsmiths', bottling, and brass wire
Fryingpans, all kinds and sizes
Stamped tin milk and pie dishes
Jack, smoothing, and frying planes, &c.
Riley' wire and other cartridges
Boiled and raw linseed and colza oil
French polish, copal and other varnishes
White and red lead; red, black, green, and yellow paint
London glue, glaziers' diamonds
Wood screws, bench screws
Kerosene lamps and lamp glasses
Sewing twine and pack twine
Ladies' and gents' saddles
Pelham and snaffle heads and reins
Riding, buggy, and gig whips, and a large assortment of saddlers' ironmongery
Clapshaw's and Page's cricket bats and stumps
Duke's and Page's treble seam cricket balls, and all kinds of cricketing materials
Ames's, Collins's, and Day's long-handled round and square point shovels
American spades and brooms
Collins's curved picks
American axe, pick, adze, and broom handles
Plumbs and levels; sluice, manure, and hay forks
Corn shellers, meat cutters, and sausage-filling machines
Screw wrenches, clothes pegs, &c.
JAMES LEVICK and CO., Wholesale Ironmongers, 264, George-street.

THE UNDERSIGNED have for SALE,—
Brandy, in bulk
Brandy, in bottle
Woolpacks
Turkey opium
Cocoa fibre
Lime-juice
Stout, in bulk
Ale, in bulk
Cream of tartar
Paints.
BEILBY and SCOTT.

FOREIGN BREADSTUFFS.—The undersigned have for SALE the following cargoes:—
Ex Bertha, from San Francisco,
Golden Gate flour, in quarter-sacks
National Mills flour, in quarter-sacks.
Ex Sunshine, from San Francisco,
Wheat, best milling samples.
Ex Spirit of the Seas, from San Francisco,
Golden Gate flour, in quarter-sacks
Wheat, best milling samples.
Ex William Dixon, from Valparaiso.
Chilian flour, unexceptionable quality, in 100 lb. bags
Chilian wheat, fine sample.
BEILBY and SCOTT.

FOR SALE, by the undersigned:—
Martell's brandy, pale and dark, in hogsheads and quarters
Geneva, key and bell, large and small contents
Hunt's single, double, treble, and quadruple diamond port
Hunt's fine old and ordinary port, in case
Red wine, low quality
Sherries—Cozens's and other brands, various qualities
Vino de Pasto, very superior
Bass's pale ale, in barrels
Ditto No. 3, in hogsheads
Congou teas ex Dannevirke
Muscatels, crown and basket brands
Soft shell almonds
Barcelona nuts
Tobacco—Ragland and other brands
Woolpacks
Muntz's yellow metal and nails
Sheet lead, 4, 5, and 6 lbs.
PARBURY, BROTHERS, Spring-street.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS and Toys for the Million. MYERS and SOLOMON, 542, George-street.

A LARGE STOCK of Samples, Toys, and Miscellaneous Goods, to be sold cheap. MYERS and SOLOMON.

JUST LANDED ex Mail Steamer, straight and bent amber-mounted Meerschaum Pipes, Jewellery, Collar Studs in great variety, and an assortment of choice Nick-nacks. MYERS and SOLOMON.

MYERS and SOLOMON respectfully inform their friends and the public their magnificent and wonderful
MECHANICAL CLOCKS,
the only works of the kind in the colony, will be on view on MONDAY, the 24th instant, for the last time.
Purchasers can inspect them gratis.

BUY your Christmas Presents and New Year's Gifts at MYERS and SOLOMON'S, where you can see the wonderful Mechanical Clocks free.
Singing birds on the tree
Blondin on the tight rope
The lovers, and jealous monkey
Monkey musicians, moving, landscapes, &c.

HAWKERS, Dealers, Country Storekeepers, and others, buy your goods at the noted Cheap General Warehouse, 542, George-street, nearly opposite the Cathedral (next to Lavers's Blacking Factory).
NOTE THE ADDRESS.
MYERS and SOLOMON,
Importers of British and Foreign Merchandise,
542, George-street.

PASSOVER CAKES. PASSOVER CAKES.—The undersigned begs to inform the Jewish community that he has made a further reduction in price of the above, and trusts he will be encouraged to keep down the monopoly.
Passover cakes, 5d. per lb., shoumered.
Meal, ground by hand, 6d. per lb., shoumered.
N.B.—All Passover cakes and meal guaranteed fresh and of this season's manufacture.
E. COHEN, Practical Baker, 556, George-street.

MONSTER CAKE, weight 365 lbs., at 1s per lb. WRIGHT and SMITH, 436, George-street, near Royal Hotel.

MONSTER CAKES, all prices, WRIGHT and SMITH.

MONSTER CAKE, on View, SATURDAY and MONDAY.

MONSTER CAKE, Liqueur Bon Bons, Ornaments and Confectionery of every description, wholesale and retail, at lowest possible prices for first-class articles. WRIGHT and SMITH, Manufacturing Confectioners, 436, George-street, near Royal Hotel.

CHRISTMAS CAKES, from 1s, upwards, quality superior, at WRIGHT and SMITH'S.

ON SALE, at PRITCHARD'S BAKERY and BRANCH SHOPS—
CURRANT CAKES 6d per lb.
Pound cakes, very superior quality, 1s per lb.
Also, lunch, seed, and soda cakes; wine, picnics, Garibaldi's, and superior biscuits of every description equally cheap.
NOTICE.—Tuesday and Wednesday next being Christmas and Boxing Days, no bread will be baked on those days, but an extra supply will be provided on Monday previous.

NO PUFFING!—You will save 25 per cent. by making your purchases of toys, dolls, games, puzzles, rocking horses, perambulators, lustres, vases, and fancy articles for presents too numerous to mention, at LEMAIRE'S London and Paris Bazaar, 452, George-street, opposite the markets.

ALBUMS.—The finest assortment that has ever been imported, in morocco and russia-leather, also carved wood covers, to hold from 25 to 200 likenesses, at LEMAIRE'S Bazaar, opposite the Markets.

NEW GOODS.—Brand P.'s Corn Flour, Soda Crystals, chicory, biscuits, peas, oatmeal, barley, blacking, pickles, onions, salad and castor oils, vinegar, bottled fruits, jams, sardines, carbonate soda, saltpetre, bleached ginger, Grimwade's milk, baking powder, paper, paper bags, de Rouhaix's sperms (16 and 12 oz.), white starch, extra fine currants, macaroni, vermicelli, English bacon, mustards, light blue, cream tartar, tartaric acid, cocoa, chocolate, candied peel, whiting, shop twine, sago, arrowroot, corks, fine sherry, Dass's ale.
E. CHAPMAN and CO.

WOLLOOMOOLOO Wholesale and Retail Wine and Spirit Stores.—Every article of the best quality. Families supplied in small quantities at wholesale prices, and delivered any part of the city. Ice depot.
W. R. SHEAD, Proprietor.

GOLDEN GATE, 515, Brickfield-hill.—J. NOBLE will not defy competition, nor boast of his extensive stock of wines, spirits, &c., but he assures the public it will bear inspection. He has had eight years' experience in the Golden Gate; he has always purchased for cash, often at half the invoice prices; and being under little rent, enables him to give the benefit to his customers. He returns sincere thanks for the liberal support he has received; but despises false representations. He feels much pleasure in laying before the public a few of his low charges:—

The largest size gin in the city, filled up	3s 6d
Gin, quarts	3s 0d
Small size	2s 3d
Quart best strong Navy rum	4s 0d
A good rum	
Quart Scotch port wine	3s 0d
Dozen best ale or porter	10s 0d
Case port of sherry, eight years in bottle, worth 3 guineas	45s 0d

Note the Address,
515, Brickfield-hill.

CHRISTMAS! CHRISTMAS!! CHRISTMAS!!! W. WILLIAMSON, Wholesale and Retail Wine, Spirit, Ale, and Porter Merchant, Belfast Wine Vaults, Botany Road.
W. W. returns his most sincere thanks to his friends and the public for the liberal support that he has received, and hopes that by selling the best articles at the smallest remunerating price, to receive a continuance of past favours. The following list of prices will be strictly adhered to, and each article guaranteed as genuine:—

Martell's brandy, £1 1s per gallon	
Vinegrowers pale cognac, £2 10s per dozen	
Jonequel Freres pale cognac, £1 15s per dozen	
Hollands gin, key brand (full quarts), £2 4s per case	
Half cases gin, £1 7s per case	
Irish or Scotch whisky, £1 14s per dozen	
Jamieson's Dublin malt whisky, 16s per gallon	
James Stewart's Paisley malt whisky, 16s per gallon	
Real Jamaica rum, 12s per gallon	
Champagne, £1 10s per dozen	
Treble diamond port wine, £1 15s per dozen	
Cozens's Amontillado sherry, £1 15s per dozen	
Double diamond draught port wine, 10s per gallon	
First class draught sherry, 10s per gallon	
Dunphy's Dublin porter, 10s 6d per dozen	
Byass's porter, 10s 6d per dozen	
Blood's porter (small bottles), 6s 6d per dozen	
Other brands of porter, 10s per dozen	
Allsop's and Younger's ale 10s 6d per dozen	
Mavrin's draught ale, 3s 4d per gallon	
Henley's champagne cider, 11s per dozen	

The above is only a few of the articles that I have now on Sale, and one trial will prove the fact that they cannot be surpassed by any house irrespective of price.

AUSTRALIAN WINE.—WYNDHAM and LINDEMAN'S celebrated Cawarra, Dalwood, Bukkulla, and various other WINES, of superior quality. Cards of prices for 1866-67, samples, and all particulars, by applying to J. D. LANKESTER, jun., Exchange Cellars, Pitt-street.
1st November.

AUSTRALIAN WINE.—Kalaudah Vintage.—I have appointed Messrs. WALLACH, BROTHERS, of 153, Lower George-street, sole agents for the sale of the above, where samples and price lists can be had on application.
JOHN F. DOYLE.

AUSTRALIAN WINES, of several choice growths, guaranteed pure, and at prices to suit the times.
Bottled by A. A. DUNNICLIFF, 56, Clarence-street.

CONFECTIONERY.—WRIGHT and SMITH, Manufacturing Confectioners, wholesale and for exportation. Merchants, country storekeepers, and shippers supplied at the lowest possible prices for first-class articles.
Goods packed in tin canisters of various designs, with glass fronts or otherwise, as may be required. Medicated Lozenges, Persian Sherbet, Syrups, and every other article connected with the trade.
Country and shipping orders promptly dispatched.
WRIGHT and SMITH, Wholesale Confectioners, 436, George-street, Sydney, near the Royal Hotel.

MOIR'S GOODS, just landing ex Parramatta.
Ling, Findon Haddocks, fresh and kippered Herrings, red Herrings, Herrings a la sardines, Herrings pickled with vinegar, potted Meats, Sauces, Green Peas, Oatmeal, Pearl Barley, Jams, Marmalade, &c.
ALEXANDER BLACK, 10, Macquarie-place.
Agent for Messrs. John Moir and Son, Preserved Provision Manufacturers and Export Oilmen, Aberdeen.

SEED and New Potatoes, Onions, Poultry, Hay, Corn, &c. GEORGE WELLS, agent, Market Wharf.

SALES BY AUCTION.

SATURDAY'S General Sale.

MARTYN and CO. will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
Saddle and harness horses
Vehicles, harness, saddlery, &c.

Prime Milch Cow.

MARTYN and CO. have received instructions to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
A prime milch cow, just calved,

To Publicans and others.
Tattersall's Club Annual Races, New Year's Day.
Booths, Gate, Derby Stand, Grand Stand, &c.

MARTYN and CO. are instructed by the Committee of Tattersall's Club to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, 22nd instant, at 12 o'clock,
The racecourse gate
Admission to the Grand Stand and saddling paddock
The Derby Stand
Four publicans' booths
Cake and fruit stalls, &c.
Terms, cash.

At the Camperdown Sale Yards, on MONDAY next.

MARTYN and CO. are instructed by Mr. John M'Lean to sell by auction, at the Camperdown Sale Yards, on MONDAY next, at 2 o'clock,
40 head colts, in good condition, adapted for stylish hackneys and harness horses.

American Buggies.

MARTYN and CO. have received instructions to sell by auction, on THURSDAY, 27th instant, at the rink of the former purchaser,
The following first-class buggies:—
Slide seat top buggy, to carry two or four persons, trimmed with best blue cloth, and morocco leather, lamps and shafts
Cut-up turn out top buggy, manufactured by Armstrong and Co., New Haven, Connecticut, to carry two or four persons, has varnished wheels and undercarriage, fitted with patent break, lamps, driving rail and shafts.
Cash no-top buggy, trimmed with brown cloth, has varnished wheels and undercarriage, shafts
Concord no-top buggy, painted green, with boot to open behind, shafts
Dogcart buggy, to carry four persons, painted blue, and trimmed to match, shafts.
Martyn's Horse and Carriage Bazaar, 245, Pitt-street, and 235, Castlereagh-street.

MESSRS. MARTYN and CO. hold auction sales as under:
At the Bazaar,—Sales of horses, vehicles, &c., every TUESDAY, THURSDAY, and SATURDAY, at 11 o'clock.
At the Camperdown Yards,—Sales of broken and unbroken stock, at 2 o'clock, on any day in the week.
A large stock of buggies and other vehicles, harness, saddlery, &c., constantly on hand.

MR. S. WOOLLER will sell by auction, at his Horse Repository, Pitt-street, opposite Tattersall's Hotel, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
4 superior carriage and dog-cart horses, trials given
2 horses, drays, and harness complete
A pair of horses, waggon, and harness in good order
A lot of saddle horses, with saddles and bridles
Drays, spring-carts, waggons, buggies, harness, &c.

Prime Fat Wedders.
At the Yards, Hunter-street, THIS DAY.

BUCHAN THOMSON is instructed by J. N. Brunker, Esq., to sell by auction, at the above Yards, THIS DAY, at half-past 11 o'clock,
300 prime fat wedders, bred and fattened by W. J. Dangar, Esq., of Neotafield.

To Dealers and others.

MESSRS. LISTER and BARNETT have received instructions to sell by auction, THIS DAY, Saturday, at 11 o'clock, on the Premises, nearly opposite the Barracks, Paddington,
The stock-in-trade of a general dealer, consisting of groceries, furniture, small wares, &c., &c.
Also, a pony and cart.
Terms, cash. No reserve.

Important Clearing-out Sale at Exeter Farm, South Creek.

Household Furniture, Farm Implements, Draught and Saddle Horses, Milch Cows, Drays, Spring Carts, Harness, Oaten Hay, Produce, &c.

THOMAS DAWSON has received instructions from C. H. Roberts, Esq. (who is retiring from the farming business), to sell by auction, on FRIDAY, the 28th instant, at 11 o'clock, on the Ground at Exeter Farm, South Creek.
The whole of the furniture, stock, and other effects, comprising—
Splendid rosewood piano, by Broadwood
Music stool
Davenport chairs
Mahogany secretary
Chiffonier
Telescope table
Pier glasses
Carpet fixtures, &c.
Iron and cedar bedsteads
Bedding
Chests of drawers
Toilet glasses, &c.
Kitchen utensils
Dresser
Tables
Chairs
Wash-tubs
Large boiler, &c., &c.
Iron ploughs, by Ransome and Sims
Harrows
Roller
Corn thrasher, &c.
Also,
30 tons oaten hay
40 bushels wheat
60 bushels rye
Drays, spring carts, harness
Draught and saddle horses
Milch cows
Pigs, poultry, &c., &c.
Terms, cash.
A Luncheon will be provided.

To Musicians and others.
On SATURDAY, at 11 o'clock.

ALEXANDER MOORE and CO. will sell by auction, at the Mart, Labour Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
6 musical boxes
4 cornopeans, 1 saxhorn
1 8-keyed flute by Rudell and Ross
3 other flutes, 6 ebony fifes
2 French horns, 3 trombones
6 concertinas, 4 flutinas
3 flageolets, 3 ophecleydes
6 violins and bows, &c.
Terms, cash.

Old Building Materials.

MR. H. VAUGHAN has received instructions from Mr. Fairweather to sell by auction, on MONDAY, 24th instant, at 11 o'clock, on the Premises, 267 and 269, York-street, near Market-street,
The whole old building materials of two cottages, with all the fixtures, stoves, iron roofing, &c.

Sucking Pigs.

JAMES GRAHAM will sell by auction, at Lime-street Wharf, on MONDAY next, at 12 o'clock sharp,
50 sucking pigs, from Newington.

Clearing-out Sale to Close Accounts to the end of the year.
THURSDAY, 27th,
FRIDAY, 28th,
At 11 o'clock.

MESSRS. CHAS. MOORE and CO. have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Rooms, Pitt-street, on the above days,
A number of broken packages, drapery, dress goods, clothing, &c., to close accounts to the end of the year.
Particulars on Wednesday.

Clearing out Sale—Drapery, Slops, &c.
Without reserve.
To close Consignments.
MONDAY, 24th instant, commencing at 11 o'clock.

MR. R. G. VALLACK will sell by auction, at his Rooms, Bank Court, on MONDAY, 24th instant,
The balances of about 50 packages of Drapery, &c., to close consignments. Most of the goods are out of late arrivals, and will be sold to the highest bidder, without regard to cost. They comprise—

33, 36, and 72 inch greys	Fancy wove checked ditto
Longcloths	Men's linen collars
Scotch twills	Boy's and men's twilled shirts
Cotton ticks	
Prints	Byrantine ditto
Rough browns	Printed regatta ditto
Covered crinoline skirts	Fancy crimean ditto
Stays	Tweed jumpers
White cotton hose	Men's Brazilian hats
Brown cotton half hose	Men's felt ditto
10-4 gentian and scarlet blankets	Men's black alpaca sacs
	Men's fancy tweed trousers
8-4 and 10-4 white ditto	Men's quilting tweed vests, &c., &c., &c;
White printed flannels	

Also,
Ex James Lister,
3 cases fashionable crinoline and straw bonnets, and tuscan, straw, and leghorn hats.
Terms at Sale.

Fine Southern Tobaccos.
On account of whom it may concern.

Stored at the Argyle Bond.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at the Argyle Bond, on MONDAY, December 24, at 11 o'clock,
20 boxes honey dew 10's tobacco
7 half-tierces diadem twist
2 ditto ditto Barrett's twist.
In lots to suit purchasers.
No reserve.
Terms at sale.

BARQUE MARIAN.
In the Assigned Estate of
Messrs. L. E. Threlkeld and Co.
For Positive Unreserved Sale.
By order of the Trustees, Messrs. J. L. Montefiore, J. B. Young, and J. B. Rundle, Esqs.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. have received instructions to sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, December 28th, at 11 o'clock,
The FINE BARQUE MARIAN, OF 500 TONS BURTHEN.
This vessel has just returned from the WEST COAST TO MELBOURNE, and DELIVERED HER CARGO OF FLOUR THERE WITHOUT A STAIN. She can be economically worked, is well found in sails, ground tackle, and is ready for sea at a moment's notice. She is now lying off the Gas Works, where she can be inspected, and every information afforded intending purchasers.
Terms at sale.

MONDAY, December 24, 1866.
Enamelled Ware
Ironmongery
Fancy Goods.
To Storekeepers and others.

JOHN G. COHEN will sell, at the Bank Auction Rooms, on MONDAY, December 24, 1866, at 11,
Invoice of enamelled ware, consisting of
Japanned toilet sets
Cash boxes
Ironmongery
Fancy goods
Sundry goods, to close consignments.
Terms, cash.

Preliminary Notice.
E. HOLLOWAY has received instructions to POSTPONE the sale of Furniture and Effects until a future day, particulars of which will be duly announced.

MONDAY, 24th December.
LAIDLAW'S PARLOUR FIREWORKS.
Just landed ex Colonial Empire.
To Bazaar Proprietors
To Fancy Dealers, and others.

W. C. RUSH and CO. have received instructions from the importers to sell by auction, at their Rooms, 319, George-street, on MONDAY, 24th December, at 11 o'clock,
An invoice of Laidlaw's parlour fireworks, comprising
Pharaoh's serpents' ghosts
Shooting stars
Meteors
Fairy beacons
Explosion of the Mameloa
Drawing-room volcanoes
Will-o'-the-wisp, &c., &c.
The above choice parlour fireworks the auctioneers are instructed to sell without reserve; they will be found suitable for approaching holidays.
Terms at sale.

THIS DAY, December 22nd, at half-past 10 o'clock.
At the Old Bank of Australasia.
To Bird Fanciers, and others.
Just landed ex Nourmahal.
170 Choice Canaries, all in full song, selected expressly for this Market, by one of the most celebrated breeders in London.

BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB have been favoured with instructions to sell by auction, at their Rooms, 239, George-street,
Fancy birds.
Terms, cash.

On SATURDAY, December 22nd, at 11 o'clock,
At the Bank of Australasia.
To Hotelkeepers, Furniture Buyers, and others.
For Unreserved Sale.
37 Cases Champagne
2 Quarter-casks Port Wine.
Also,
A quantity of very superior Household Furniture and Effects, removed from the house at Manly Beach, lately occupied by the Hon. T. A. Murray.

BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB have been favoured with instructions to sell by auction, at their Rooms, 239, George-street, THIS DAY, December 22nd, at 11 o'clock,
An elegant drawing-room suite, manufactured by Lenahan and Co.
Oval loo table
Pair card tables
Brussels carpet
Telescope dining table
Hair-seated chairs
Couches
Marble washstands
Toilet services
Wardrobes
Chests of drawers, and sundries,
Terms, cash.

On MONDAY, December 24th, at 11 o'clock.
At the Offices of Messrs. Joubert and Bocher, Spring-street.
To Merchants and others.
Office Desks
Copying Presses
Iron Safes, &c., &c.
By order of Frederick Humphrey, Esq., Official Assignee, in the Estate of Joubert and Bocher.

BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB have been favoured with instructions to sell by auction,
Office fixtures and fittings.
Terms, cash.

Important and Attractive Auction Sale of Groceries, Sugars
Oilmen's Stores, Fruits, Provisions, and Sundries.
THURSDAY, 27th December.

BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB will sell by auction, at their Warehouse, Pitt and O'Connell streets, on THURSDAY, 27th December, at 11 o'clock,
Large parcels of oilmen's stores, sugars, groceries, fruits, provisions, and sundries.
Terms at sale.

32-64th Shares in
The Fine Barque
OTHELLO.
Now discharging at the Circular Quay.
For Sale by Public Auction.
*** By order of the Executors of the late Mr. John Brown.
THURSDAY, 27th December.

BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB have been favoured with instructions to sell by auction, at their Warehouse, Pitt and O'Connell streets, on THURSDAY, 27th December, at 11 o'clock precisely,
Thirty-two sixty-fourth shares of and in the fine barque
OTHELLO,
342 tons register, but carries over 400 tons.
DIMENSIONS:

Length	115 feet
Breadth	27 feet 5-10ths
Depth	14 feet.

She is well built, copper fastened, was thoroughly overhauled and remetalled 5 months ago, and has a first-class veritas certificate for 4 years.
The Othello is now discharging at the Circular Quay, where she may be inspected, and every facility will be afforded intending purchasers to thoroughly examine the vessel.
She is well found and in perfect sea-going order.
Inventory in course of preparation.
Terms at sale.

A Four-roomed BRICK COTTAGE, near the Victoria Foundry, off Sussex-street, between Liverpool and Goulburn streets.

TO W. BOWDEN will sell by auction, at the Land Sale Rooms, 154, Pitt-street, on THURSDAY next, the 27th December, at 11 o'clock,
A brick

FUNERAL.—The Friends of Mr. JOHN MORRISON are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his deceased Wife, JANE; to move from his residence, 503, Crown-street, Surry Hills, THIS (Saturday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 2 o'clock. C. KINSELA and SON, Undertakers, Sussex-street South, and South Head Road.

FUNERAL.—The Friends of the late EDWARD HUNT, Esq., are respectfully invited to attend his funeral; the procession will move from his late residence, Hampton Villa, Balmain, THIS (Saturday) MORNING, at 8 o'clock, arriving at St. John's Church, Ashfield, at 40 o'clock a.m. C. KINSELA and SON, Undertakers, Sussex-street South, and South Head Road, near Crown-street.

FUNERAL.—The Friends of Mr. CHARLES DAVIN HOUSTON are invited to attend the Funeral of his late daughter MARY JANE; to move from his residence, No. 26, Bay-street, Glebe, on SUNDAY AFTERNOON, at a quarter-past 3 o'clock. J. and G. STEVENS, Undertakers, No. 719, George street South, opposite Christ Church.

FUNERAL.—The Friends of W. H. HARRISON are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late departed Mother; to move from his father's residence, No. 503, Crown-street, Surry Hills, THIS DAY, Saturday, at half-past 2 o'clock

LONDON Advertising.—The undermentioned Newspaper and Advertising Agents are authorised to receive advertisements, which must be paid in advance, for the SYDNEY MORNING HERALD and SYDNEY MAIL.
Mr. F. AIGAR, 11, Clements-lane, Lombard-street.
Mr. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill, E.C.
Copies of each journal are filed at the above offices for the use of advertisers.

THE SYDNEY PRICE CURRENT AND CIRCULAR for THIS MAIL ready for delivery after 10 o'clock, THIS MORNING, at our offices, 326, George-street. MYLREA and CATTELL.

CIRCULAR.—The LABOUR BAZAAR, 285, 287, 289, 291, and 293, Pitt-street.—(Established in 1840.) ALEXANDER MOORE and COMPANY have much satisfaction in announcing to the public that they have made important alterations in and considerable additions to their large establishment, and they have so reorganised its several departments as to render each one complete in itself. By this means purchasers can economise time, and will have every facility of thoroughly examining the goods they may require. In consequence of the depression of the times, and of their being purchasers of large quantities of new and second-hand goods for cash, Alexander Moore and Co. are in a position to offer their present stock at considerably reduced rates. They, therefore, beg to call the attention of the public generally to the leading departments of their Entrepot of Industry.

1.—DRAWING-ROOM DEPARTMENT.
In this department will be found every article of furniture and ornaments suitable to the drawing-rooms of the princely mansion or the cottage. It is all the best material and workmanship, and several suites are in the highest style. The most marked reduction in prices will be noticed in these rooms.

2.—LIBRARY FURNITURE DEPARTMENT.
A large assortment of elegant and substantial goods, suitable to every size of dwelling. Several thousand volumes of standard books to select from.

3.—PLATE AND FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT.
In this department the proprietors feel convinced they can gratify the taste of the most fastidious. They offer for selection, besides a large quantity of chastely-designed plateware, salvers, cups, vases, goblets, &c., in solid silver. They also invite attention to the oil paintings, engravings, statuary, and other articles of vertu, in bronze, parian, marble, and glass, which they have collected.

4. BEDSTEAD AND BEDDING WAREROOMS
This department, with its varied supplies, is so well known to the public as not to call for special notice. It is now more complete in every respect than it has ever been before.

5. CHINA AND GLASS ROOMS.
The proprietors feel particular confidence in calling the attention of visitors to this department. They flatter themselves that no announcement can exaggerate the variety, the beauty, the finish, and the completeness of the goods here exhibited.

6. MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS ROOM.
Besides a considerable stock of pianofortes, harmoniums, and other musical instruments, there will be found in this department billiard and bagatelle tables, and other appliances for high-class recreations.

7. CARPET AND FLOORCLOTH DEPARTMENT.
Very large additions, with considerable reduction in prices, have been made to this department. A very gratifying confidence has been bestowed on their taste in supplying this kind of goods.

8.—IRONMONGERY DEPARTMENT.
Besides a large quantity of Farming Implements, including winnowing machines and gardening tools, to this department may be added patent mangles, and every kind of KITCHEN FURNITURE; and connected with it is the depot for carriages, buggies, gigs, &c., new and second-hand.

The Proprietors, in conclusion, beg to impress the fact on the public, that this advertisement gives but a faint outline of the contents and resources of their establishment. They take the opportunity of announcing that they receive and make advances on goods for sale by auction, without any charge beyond auctioneers' commission. They also store goods in safe and well-ventilated apartments, at a LABOUR BAZAAR, 285, 287, 289, 291, and 293, Pitt-street.

JOHN M'LEAN, Manufacturing Silversmith, Electro Gold and Silver Plater, 70, York-street.

NEW ROYAL VICTORIA THEATRE.
THIS present SATURDAY EVENING, December 22, THE GREAT PRIZE DRAMA, by the GREAT AUSTRALIAN STAR DRAMATIC COMPANY.
The Entertainments will commence with the laughable Comedy of the
LOTTERY TICKET.
Wormwood..... Mr. Charles Young.
To conclude with the beautiful drama of the
FLOWERS OF THE FOREST.
Cynthia, Mrs. Heir. Starlight Bess, Miss Harriet Gordon. The Wolf, Mr. Fitzgerald. The Kinchin, Mr. C. Walsh.
On BOXING-NIGHT,
The New Local Burlesque and Pantomime, entitled HARLEQUIN TUM-UT-CHU, or, PRINCE OF WIVING-HOE.
Chow-Cow-Pa. Shidamalink and Jamma ma-tan.
Upper Circle, one shilling.
Dress circle, 5s; stalls, 3s; pit, 2s; gallery, 6d.

PRINCE OF WALES OPERA HOUSE.
CHRISTMAS EVE.
GRAND SACRED PERFORMANCE,
in which all the PRINCIPAL ARTISTES without exception will sing.
MONDAY EVENING, December 24th.
Selections from Mendelssohn's sublime ORATORIO, ELIJAH, and Handel's MESSIAH.
PROGRAMME.
PART I.
ELIJAH.
Introduction—As God the Lord of Israel .... Mr. Sutcliffe
Overture ..... Orchestra
Aria—If with all your hearts ..... Mr. Squires
Recitative—Now Cherith's brook ..... Miss Hodson
Duet—What have I done to thee, oh man of God ..... Madame Escott and Mr. Sutcliffe
Recitative—Draw near, all ye people ..... } Mr. Kitts
Aria—Lord God of Abraham ..... }
Quartette—Cast thy burthen upon the Lord ..... Madame Escott, Miss Hodson, Mr. Baker, and Mr. Kitts
Aria—Then shall the righteous shine ..... Mr. Squires
Aria—Hear ye Israel ..... Madame Escott
Recitative—Man of God ..... Mr. Baker
Aria—It is enough ..... Mr. Sutcliffe
Recitative—See now he sleepeth ..... Mr. Baker
Terzetti—Lift thine eyes ..... Madame Escott, Miss Hodson, and Madame Simonsen
Recitative—Arise Elijah ..... } Miss Hodson.
Aria—Oh, rest in the Lord ..... }
PART II.
HANDEL'S MESSIAH.
Overture ..... Orchestra
Recitative—Comfort ye ..... } Mr. Beaumont
Aria—Every valley ..... }
Recitative—Behold a virgin shall conceive .... Miss Hodson
Air and chorus—Oh, Thou that tellest ..... Miss Hodson
Recitative—For behold darkness shall cover the earth }
Air—The people that walk in darkness ..... } Mr. J. de Haga
Pastoral symphony ..... Orchestra
Recitative—There were shepherds ..... Mrs. King
Chorus—Glory to God
Air—Rejoice greatly ..... Madame Simonsen
Recitative—Then shall the eyes of the blind ..... }
Air—He shall feed his flock ..... } Mrs. Andrews
Air—Come unto Him ..... Miss Jones
Air—He was despised ..... Miss Hodson
Air—Why do the nations? ..... Mr. de Haga
Air—I know that my Redeemer liveth.. Mdme. Simonsen
Recitative—He that dwelleth ..... }
Air—Thou shalt break them.. ..... } Mr. Baker.
Chorus—Hallelujah.
Conductor—Mr. FRED LYSTER.
PRICES OF ADMISSION.
Dress circle, 5s; stalls, 3s; pit and upper circle, 2s; gallery, 1s.
Doors open at half-past 7.
Box Book now open, at Elvy and Co.'s Music Warerooms, where Books of the Oratories may be obtained.

PRINCE OF WALES OPERA HOUSE.
FAREWELL SEASON
of Lyster's Royal Italian and English OPERA COMPANY.
Conductor ..... Mr. MARTIN SIMONSEN.
Under the patronage of his Excellency the Right Honorable SIR JOHN YOUNG, Bart., K.C.B., G.C.M.G., and LADY YOUNG.
THIS EVENING, December 22nd, GRAND MONSTER NIGHT, Verdi's Grand Opera, LA TRAVIATA.
Alfredo Germont ..... Mr. Henry Squires
Giorgio ..... Mr. Sutcliffe
Gaston le Gai ..... Mr. Baker
Dottore Grenvil ..... Mr. J. E Kitts
Baron Duphoul ..... Mr. Sprinkhorn
Flora Bervoix ..... Mrs. Ada King
Violetta ..... Madame Lucy Escott
After which Bellini's Pastoral Opera, LA SONNAMBULA.
Count Rodolpho ..... Mr. Sutcliffe
Elvino ..... Mr. Arnee Beaumont
Alessio ..... Mr. W. Lloyd
Dame Teresa ..... Mrs. Andrews
Liza ..... Mrs. Ada King
Amina ..... Madame Fanny Simonsen.
PRICES OF ADMISSION.
Dress circle, 5s; stalls, 3s; pit and upper circle, 2s; gallery, 1s.
Doors open at 7.30; Overture at 8 precisely.
Seats secured six days in advance, at Messrs. Elvy and Co.'s Music Warerooms, 321, George-street.
BOX OFFICE NOW OPEN.
Carriages to set down with the horses' heads towards Hunter-street, take up towards King-street.

LYCEUM THEATRE.
HERR GREENBERG'S GREAT INTERNATIONAL CIRCUS will shortly arrive, and OPEN on BOXING NIGHT.
Pit, 1s.
For further particulars see bills.

SCHOOL OF ARTS.—
BOHEMIAN GLASS BLOWERS.
EXTRA FREE COLLECTION
Of Beautiful Glass Ornaments given at every Exhibition, and most positively the last week but one.
Doors open at 7.30.
Admission, 2s; children, 1s.
Saturday afternoon and Wednesday, 2 o'clock.

A LADY wishes an ENGAGEMENT, as daily GOVERNESS, or in a School. Teaches English, French, music, and flower painting. Address T. Z., Post Office, Paddington.

AUSTRALASIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.—Wanted, a Gentleman to fill the situation of SECRETARY. Applications to be made by letter, and sent with credentials, under cover, to the Manager, on or before the 24th instant.
Frederick H. Trouton, Manager.

A MEDICAL MAN, who has a practice of over twenty years' standing, within a short distance of Sydney by rail, is anxious to retire from the duties of the profession, and to introduce to his patients a thoroughly competent person as his successor. His object is to secure to the inhabitants of the district the services of a gentleman in whom they can at all times place the utmost reliance. For particulars apply to ELLIOTT, BROTHERS, Pitt-street, Sydney.

A GENTLEMAN, of many years' experience in teaching, is open to an ENGAGEMENT, to take charge of the mathematical and commercial departments in whose academy, or to prepare gentlemen for the university, bar, or Civil Service; the best references given. X. Y., HERALD Office.

A MATRON, returning to England, would be glad to accompany a family. A. M., 293, George-street.

A TUTOR having next year every Wednesday morning from 9 to 1 disengaged, wishes to employ it in a Ladies' School; former engagement three years. Address Mr. Moore, stationer, George-street.

A LADY, who has had great experience as Visiting Governess, wishes to receive five MORNING PUPILS; she will give them a thorough English education, with French and music. Terms, four guineas per quarter each. Madame, Post-office, Redfern.

A LADY residing at Manly Beach, wishes to receive children to educate, as weekly boarders or otherwise; first-class references. Address K.C., Post office, Manly.

A YOUNG Lady, English, clever and domesticated, wishes an ENGAGEMENT as companion, or any responsible position in a private family. Salary no object. Address P. T., HERALD Office.

A VISITING TUTOR desires an Engagement in a Gentleman's Family in Sydney or the suburbs, from February, 1867. References of the highest order. Address Tuition, Employment, on moderate terms. A. N. B., HERALD Office.

A SEXTON wanted for the Presbyterian Cemetery, Haslem's Creek. Apply, stating terms, to P. F., EMPIRE Office, on or before Thursday, 27th December.

A DULY qualified SURGEON wanted for ship JOHN RYSTON. Apply to Laidley, Ireland, and Co., Lloyd's Chambers.

A YOUNG Lady desires a RE-ENGAGEMENT as Nursery Governess. E. N., 98, Elizabeth-street.

BEESWAX wanted, in large or small quantities. W. Larmer, 323, George-street.

BOYS WANTED, to sell Albert Programmes, This Morning. Caxton Printing Office.

COOK.—A Professional Cook WANTED. Apply, by letter, to Royal Hotel Company.

DRESSMAKING.—Vacancies for APPRENTICES Mrs. Doak, 58, Wynyard-square.

DRAPERY.—Wanted, an active youth as APPRENTICE. Apply 600, Brickfield-hill.

FREE PASSAGE to NEW ZEALAND. — Female SERVANTS WANTED; persons accustomed to the country preferred. Apply to Mrs. Charles Flood, White Horse Hotel, George-street.

To MINERS, Speculators, and others intending to proceed to New Zealand.—The undersigned begs to inform them that she has visited nearly the whole of the Provinces and all the principal Diggings of New Zealand, and, from her twelve years' experience in Victoria and New South Wales, is fully qualified to give all the necessary information to parties who may apply to her. Mrs. Charles Flood.

GOVERNESS.—A Lady requires an Engagement as above in a Protestant or Jewish family. She has been accustomed to teaching, and is a good musician. Letters received till 14th January. H. D. Y., HERALD Office.

JOURNALISM.—A Gentleman of experience on the Australian Press desires to connect himself with a newspaper in a literary capacity, either as a Reporter or for lighter editorial duties. Scribe, Pierce, agent, William-st.

MR. T. M'CORMACK, 135, William-street, Sydney, most earnestly solicits immediate EMPLOYMENT under the Government (his name being many years on the books), in a bank, a merchant's store or office, a wholesale drapery or grocery business, or a partner in any safe business where his experience and services would be equivalent for a share, or to conduct any business of trust requiring ability and fidelity. He has been the proprietor of extensive business during many years in the parent country, and also at Newcastle and Sydney, in this colony. His testimonials and references certify a most unblemished and consistent character from youth to the present.

NON-RESIDENT TUTORSHIP required, by a graduate of Cambridge. References, W. W., HERALD

PARRAMATTA.—TUITION.—A lady, resident in a most agreeable and healthy part of Parramatta, is desirous of receiving three or four young ladies to BOARD and EDUCATE, at moderate terms. For particulars, apply to E. K. C., care of Mr. E. Mason, Stationers' Hall, Parramatta.

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TWO MEDICAL GENTLEMEN.—Wanted, at the Minmi Colliery, on or before the 5th January, 1867, A MEDICAL PRACTITIONER, salary £300 per annum. No one need apply unless they have passed the Medical Board of New South Wales. For further particulars apply to Henry H. Nelson, Secretary Minmi, near Newcastle. 13th December.

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WANTED, an active LAD, about 14. Apply Blow's Commercial Hotel, King and Sussex streets.

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WANTED, a GIRL, about 13. Apply 44, Crown-street, near Woolloomooloo-street.

WANTED, a General SERVANT. 13, Francis-street, Hyde Park.

WANTED, a respectable GIRL, about 14, to mind children and be useful. 144, Victoria-street.

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WANTED, a respectable young person, as NURSE. Apply Rainbow Tavern, Pitt and King streets.

WANTED, a first-class Shoeing SMITH. Apply to J. Broadley, opposite Wesleyan Chapel, Newtown.

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WANTED, six MUSICIANS for Boxing-Day. Apply this morning, Charlton Hotel, Market Wharf.

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WANTED, a second COOK, also a steady General MAN. Rainbow, Pitt-street.

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WANTED, for the UNION CLUB, a WAITER; Also, a Youth, to act as Hall Porter. Apply to House Steward, between 11 and 12 o'clock to-day.

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WANTED, a SITUATION as Nurse, or to wait on a lady proceeding to England; is willing to pay part of her passage. Address E. B., Post-office, Glebe.

WANTED, a first-class COOK and WAITER, immediately. Apply at the Flower Pot Inn, York-street, opposite the Butchers' Shambles.

WANTED, 6 WAITERS, from the 26th to the 2nd of January, for the Intercolonial Cricket Match, Bazaar at Ashfield, and Randwick Races. W. John O'Brien.

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WANTED, by January 6th, a RESIDENCE, of five rooms, kitchen, &c., in the immediate vicinity of Sydney. Rent not to exceed £35 per annum. N., HERALD Office.

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WANTED, for cash, a small GROCERY BUSINESS, in Sydney, suburbs, or within 5 miles from town. Possession early or before the end of January. Apply by letter to C. J. W., 64, Market-street.

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John Dongall, } Joint
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